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RUSSIANS 'AFTER NAVY SECRETS'

Howe seeks talks with Gromyko

THE espionage target of the five Russians expelled from London is believed to be a top secret laser system for navigating nuclear submarines under water, says OUR NAVAL CORRESPONDENT.

In the Commons yesterday, the Foreign Secretary, Sir Geoffrey Howe, said evidence of spying against the Russians had been "irrefutable".

But in an attempt to repair any long-term rift with Moscow over the expulsions and the Kremlin's counter-action, he has proposed to the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Gromyko, that they should have talks in Vienna on May 15 when they both attend the Austrian Treaty anniversary.

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Laser system target of expelled diplomats

By DESMOND WETTERN Naval Correspondent

THE five Russian diplomats, including both naval attachés, expelled from Britain for spying, are believed to have been trying to obtain top secret information about the advanced technology involved in underwater navigation of nuclear submarines.

Some British companies such as Ferranti at Edinburgh, British Aerospace at Bracknell and GEC at Rochester are known to be working on laser ring gyroscopes for aircraft navigation and it is highly possible this work has been extended to submarine navigation.

The system basically involves three laser beams transmitting light around three sides of a glass triangle.

Important advance possible

By measuring the fractions of phases of the light beams it is possible to calculate with a computer changes in position of the aircraft relative to the earth's surface.

At present, nuclear missile submarines, which have to maintain a high degree of navigational accuracy in order to know their precise position at any time in relation to their assigned targets, use what is known as SINS—Ships' Inertial Navigation System—which has three gyroscopes rotating on different axis.

But over a course of time the gyros may "drift" slightly off their intended axis, leading to position errors—something that a laser ring giro would not suffer from as it has no moving parts.

The difficulty with such a system lies in computing the differences in the light phases and if British scientists have overcome this it would be a breakthrough of profound technological importance.

Although British research into the use of laser ring gyros in aircraft lags four or five years behind that in America, it might be easier, with more space available in a submarine, to design a system for use underwater.

In addition, the Russian intelligence services such as the GRU—to which one or possibly both expelled naval attaches belonged—always try to crosscheck information, so any developments in Britain could be compared with those in America to measure general progress in the West with navigational laser systems.

Britons deny charge

By NIGEL WADE in Moscow

THE three Britons given two weeks to leave the British Embassy in Moscow yesterday rejected Russian charges that they had engaged in improper activities.

A spokesman for the Soviet Foreign Ministry would not say exactly what they were accused of, apart from "activities incompatible with the status of diplomats."

British officials said the expulsion of the naval attache, Capt. John Marshall, one of his assistants, Lt Cdr Martin Littleboy, and a second secretary (scientific), Miss Carol Robson, was unwarranted "tit-for-tat" action.

Miss Carol Robson

'Loose end'

Capt. Marshall, 47, who arrived in Moscow last July, said: "As far as I am personally concerned it is a disappointment that has cut my job in half and at the moment I am very much at a loose end."

Miss Robson, 30, arrived in Moscow last May from the British Embassy in Mongolia. She was sorry to be leaving Moscow because she was "just getting into the job."

The third person being expelled from Moscow, Cdr Littleboy, 36, arrived in Nov., 1983, after serving in the South Atlantic in the Falklands war.

Britain's ambassador in Moscow, Sir Iain Sutherland, said Britain did not want the expulsion to effect the generally improving climate of British-Soviet relations.

BRITON HELD IN LIBYA IS DEPORTED

Mr Michael Emmett, a 34-year-old British Caledonian sales manager arrived at Gatwick Airport last night, after being deported, from Libya. Mr Emmett, a single man, whose parents live at Worsted Road, Uxbridge, had spent three nights in custody, at a Tripoli police station but was given no reason for his deportation.

He said: "I was asked basic questions — my name and what my work was. I made it clear I wanted to prove I was doing nothing wrong. We parted on very good terms."

Move to repair rift

By DAVID ADAMSON Diplomatic Correspondent

SIR GEOFFREY HOWE, Foreign Secretary, has proposed to his Soviet counterpart, Mr Gromyko, that they should have talks when they both attend the 30th anniversary of the Austrian State Treaty in Vienna on May 15.

The meeting would give them a chance to repair the damage to the recently-improved Anglo-Soviet relationship caused by the expulsion of a Soviet espionage ring from London and the ensuing retaliation by Moscow.

It is expected in London that Mr Gromyko will accept.

Sir Geoffrey, who broke the ice with a visit to Moscow last year and has visited five other Warsaw Pact countries since, said yesterday that the affair was bound to have some impact on relations.

But he emphasised the Government's determination to pursue a policy of improving East-West relations, particularly with the Soviet Union, despite what had happened.

"That remains at the heart of our policy," he said.

'Irrefutable evidence'

It did not mean, though, as he made clear when answering questions in the Commons, that Britain was prepared to pursue better relations at the expense of national security.

The evidence against the expelled four Soviet diplomats and the Aeroflot official had been "irrefutable."

He denied an accusation by Mr Healey, Shadow Foreign Secretary, that he had mishandled the situation by allowing any publicity about the expulsion of the Russians.

It had been considered necessary from the start that the names of the first two Russians expelled should be announced to make Britain's concern clear.

It is unlikely that Mr Gromyko will allow the expulsions to colour Anglo-Soviet relations for long.

The Soviet Union's aim is to woo British and Western European opinion generally to its way of thinking on arms control and a political settlement that entrenches the status quo in Eastern Europe.

Sir Geoffrey was asked in the Commons by Mr Barry Sheerman (Lab., Huddersfield) if any British citizens would be arrested under the Official Secrets Act over the expulsion.

"It has been rumoured a spy network has been uncovered," he added.

But Sir Geoffrey replied: "I am not in a position to add anything to what I have said about the background to this case. Of course, in this as in every other case, the prosecuting authorities do investigate the matter fully."

300 NEW JOBS AT U.S. PLANT

Rolm Corporation, the telecommunications subsidiary of International Business Machines, the world's biggest computer group, is to build a plant in rBitain, providing up to 300 jobs, it was announced yesterday.

A 150-acre site is being acquired for the plant at Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire, and the American company hopes to start production within two years.

SOLDIERS KILLED IN W. GERMANY

By Our Staff Correspondent in Bonn

Two British soldiers were killed near the Sennelager training area in West Germany yesterday when a four-ton Army truck overturned. A nother 11, all members of the Blues and Royals, were injured.

The dead men were Trooper Alan Webb, 19, of Fareham, Hants, and Trooper Richardo Dillon, of Nottingham.

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DANGER MICE ALERT

St George's Hospital said yesterday that some of the 150 mice stolen from one of its laboratories in south London by members of the Animal Liberation Front could cause glandular fever if they bit anyone.

UNIONS SPURN 4.9pc

Leaders of two Whitehall unions, the Civil & Public Services Association and the Inland Revenue Staff Federation, yesterday rejected the Government's latest 4·9 per cent. pay offer and decided to press for arbitration.

Princess Anne (centre) rounding Tattenham Corner on Against the Grain during her flat-racing debut at Epsom yesterday and (right) in the paddock before the race.

GALLANT GALLOP BY ANNE

Daily Telegraph Reporter

PRINCESS ANNE'S attempt to win a race at Epsom ended in gallant failure yesterday when she finished fourth on 11-1 hope Against The Grain.

After the rase, an invitation event for charity, she was quick to blame herself and not her mount for failing to do better.

The Princess, wearing Royal blue and red striped silks, admitted: "The horse might have gone faster with someone else in the saddle—at no point did I think I could win.

"It was great fun. I enjoyed the race, but it was over so quickly. I think it was a one-off and I'm most unlikely to be seen in racing colours again."

Looked nervous

The winner of the race, which raised £32,000 for one of the Princess's favourite charities—Riding for the Disabled—was No-U-Turn, ridden by Elaine Mellor, 41, the first woman to win the race on the famous course.

The Princess looked apprehensive as she waited for the start, but she kept in 4th place until the halfway stage where she fell back to 7th.

As she rounded the notorious Tattenham Corner bend the Princess kicked on and moved up the field during the final three furlongs.

She said: "I had lots of advice, but the best was to go out and enjoy myself. I got round without doing anything wrong or upsetting anyone else."

Also in the field were Lester Piggott's daughter, Maureen, and Virginia Holgate, who won the Badminton three day event last weekend.

The race was sponsored by the Worshipful Company of Farriers, who also put up the £2,000 sponsorship for the Princess's mount.

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ITN APOLOGISES FOR 'GAFFE'

By Our Television Staff

ITN apologised yesterday for "a gaffe' that allowed the wrong take, including a swear word, to go out on the "News at Ten" on Monday night.

The expletive was uttered by Mr Brent Sadler, a reporter, when he stumbled over a Russian name. ITN said: "We should have apologised at the time, but we were still uncertain exactly what had gone wrong. It was all a terrible gaffe."

£1·2m LIBEL BILL FOR BBC

The BBC agreed yesterday to pay £75,000 damages and £1·2 million costs at the end of an 87-day libel case. It was the most costly such action in English legal history.

Dr Sidney Gee, 63, a Harley Street slimming expert, receives the £75,000 for a libel in Ecther Rantzan's "That's Life" television programme.

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SCHOOLS DEADLOCK

Hopes of a breakthrough in the teachers' pay dispute faded last night when Sir Keith Joseph, Education Secretary, repeated that the Government was not prepared to offer more than four per cent. At the same time, the unions rejected a management move to get informal talks going.

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Commons suspended as MPs jostle Owen

By JAMES WIGHTMAN Political Correspondent

LABOUR MPs caused another disruption in the Commons yesterday in a row over where Dr Owen, SDP leader, should stand to deliver a speech calling for a strengthening of Governmnt legislation on the trade unions.

Left wing MPs jostled and elbowed Dr Owen and Miss Clare Short, Labour MP for Ladywood, used her legs to block his path as he tried to speak from the Opposition despatch box.

Mr Walker, Deputy Speaker, suspended proceedings for 16 minutes and the start of the debate was delayed for nearly an hour.

Dr Owen and the Conservatives denounced as "disgraceful" the latest conduct by Labour MPs in what was their third Commons demonstration since last November.

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The SDP leader finally began his speech after talks outside the chamber between the deputy speaker, Mr Biffen, Leader of the Commons, Mr Michael Cocks, Labour's Chief Whip, Mr John Cartwright, SDP Whip, and eventually Dr Owen himself.

Labour agreed that room should be made on the seats where other SDP MPs usually sit.

The trouble had started

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STERLING FALLS BY 2½ CENTS

By CLIFFORD GERMAN Financial Correspondent

PRESIDENT REAGAN'S rejection of tax reforms which were in fact disguised tax increases sent the dollar sharply higher yesterday and the pound fell by three cents before closing at $1·2540, down 2½ cents on the day.

The dolar also bounced up to close at 3·0690 marks, 5·8 pfennigs better on the day.

Earlier the 2·3 per cent. fall in American durable goods orders for March appeared to confirm al the recent figures suggesting the American boom is coming to an end

Government stocks closed little changed. Share prices failed to recover from early falls and the FINANCIAL TIMES 30 share index closed 11·3 down on balance at 959·6.

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SPEED RIDER DEAD

Billy Sanders, 29, an Australian speedway rider who captain's the Ipswich team, was found dead yesterday in his car in woodland at Nacton, Suffolk. Police said a tube from the exhaust led into the car.

Today's Weather

GENERAL SITUATION: Ridge will move S. across England and Wales, with trough following S. across N. Britain.

LONDON, S.E., CEN. S., E., S.W. ENGLAND, MIDLANDS, E. ANGLIA, S. WALES: Dry, sunny periods. Wind N.E. backing N.W. light or moderate. Max. 57F (14C).

CHANNEL IS.: Dry, sunny spells. Wind N.E. fresh or strong, decreasing moderate. 52F (11C).

S. SCOTLAND, N. ENGLAND: Cloudy, rain in places. Wind N.W. light, increasing moderate. 54F (12C).

S. NORTH SEA: Wind N. backing W. force 4 or 5. Sea moderate, becoming slight.

STRAIT OF DOVER, ENG. CH. (E.): N.E. 6-7 becoming variable, 1-3. Rough becoming slight.

IRISH SEA: Variable, 1-3, becoming N.W. 5 or 6-7. Slight, becoming rough.

OUTLOOK: Rain moving S. across England; much colder weather with wintry showers following from N.

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Nazis' victims aided by father of Princess

By DAVID GRAVES

BARON Gunther von Reibnitz, father of Princess Michael of Kent, helped people persecuted by the Nazis on racial grounds and was only an "honorary member" of the SS according to documents released last night by Kensington Palace.

Although he joined the Nazi party in 1931, he came into conflict with the Hitler régime as early as 1934, and was dismissed from the SS in 1944 for disciplinary reasons.

The documents say that by 1940 Baron von Reibnitz expressed the view that the only way for the Nazi dominance to be broken was for Germany to lose the war.

The papers released to authenticate the Princess's statement that her father was not an active member of the SS, said he had no authority to give orders of any kind and had merely the right to wear uniform and hold the rank of major.

"It was thus a matter of pure honorary rank," they said.

He had gone "well beyond the normal limits" in helping those subjected to racial persecution and he had shown no predjudice against Jews.

Appeal hearing

The documents, a German copy and an English translation, gave the judgment of the Upper Bavaria Appeal Tribunal, delivered on May 14, 1948, which had heard von Reibnitz's appeal against a lower denazification court's hearing which had ruled that he was a "less incriminated person."

Setting aside the decision, the appeal tribunal instead adjudged him a "nominal" member of the Nazi party, who gave National Socialism only insignificant support.

Col. Michael Farmer, the Princess's press secretary, said: "This effectively put him in the lowest grade possible without actually taking up arms against Hitler."

The documents were released to the Press Association news agency as members of the Princess's staff were busy dealing with a flood of sympathetic mail which began after the disclosure that her father held the rank of major in the SS and the interview in which she said she had not known about his post.

The appeal judgment was typed on two pages of flimsy austerity paper. It was sent last week to Kensington Palace by members of the Princess's family in Germany, although Col. Farmer would not identify the senders.

The document also authenticates a transcript which the Princess's mother, who lives in Australia, sent to her daughter last week.

Th appeal tribunal said Baron von Reibnitz joined the Nazi party in 1931 "in the belief that National Socialism would bring about economic recovery." However, he continued to be politically inactive and accepted no party office.

As a horse breeder and devotee of equestrian sport, he became a member of the Cavalry SS in 1934.

Even in his capacity as Regional Chief Ranger responsible for hunting, however, he came into conflict with the Nazi authorities. The conflict developed to such an extent that in 1944 he was dismissed from the ranks of the SS and transferred as punishment to the infamous Dirlewanger Sonderkommando, one of the most notorious of Hitler's terror and extermination squads.

The judgment said the baron "managed to avoid entry" into the unit by "finding refuge" with his regiment in the regular army.

In his post as chief ranger he permitted Jews to participate in hunting and concerned himself with the well-being of foreign workers, going beyond "normal limits" in helping those subjected to racial persecution.

Not a militarist

The judgment added: "The evidence has not aduced references to the effect that the accused should be regarded as a militarist or having reaped any benefit . . . The accused was not a member of any organisation condemned as criminal in the Nuremberg Judgment."

While ruling that the baron's petition to be exonerated not be allowed, the tribunal said he was "equivalent to a non-accused person." His evidence was insufficient to meet the concept of "active resistance" needed warrant exoneration.

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4.5pc PAY DEAL

Britain's 40,000 shipyard workers settled for an average 4·5 per cent. rise yesterday. The British Shipbuilders' offer works out on basic rates for a 39-hour-week at £6·25 for skilled workers, £5 for unskilled and with proportional rises for semi-skilled from April 1.

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PEACE TALKS OFFER SPURNED BY TEACHERS

By JOHN IZBICKI Education Correspondent

TEACHERS rejected their employers' offer for preliminary peace talks last night after a long and at times stormy meeting. This means that strikes by teachers and school disruptions will continue and intensify.

After a three-hour meeting of the 32 union leaders making up the teachers' panel within the Burnham Committee, it was decided by 16 votes to 10, with four abstentions, to refuse the offer.

The split reflects the power wielded by the biggest of the unions, the 235,000-strong National Union of Teachers, which has a total of 16 votes.

A motion, put at the start of the meeting by the National Association of Head Teachers, would have accepted the management offer of a meeting to discuss terms acceptable to both sides prior to moving to a full Burnham Committee.

This was thrown out by 17 votes to 15 with the college lecturers' union, Natfhe, siding with the N U T.

Mr Fred Jarvis, leader of the panel and N U T general secretary, agreed that there had been a major split but said: "It was a split over tactics, not objectives."

'Large majority'

"The large majority" of the unions wanted an improvement on the four per cent. pay increase (the teachers are seeking a rise in the region of 12·4 per cent.).

The structural package—discussions on teacher contracts and conditions tied to salaries from which the N U T had walked out — was described by Mr Jarvis as "a dea dduck."

Mr. Frank Mills, salaries negotiator for the National Association of Head Teachers, was "very disappointed and very dismayed." It was "ridiculous to turn something down before even trying to find out which is being proposed."

Mr John Sutton of the Secondary Heads Association, also voiced his disappointment. "We all wanted to go and see what the management had to say and were hoping to go with an open mind."

A solution to the dispute had been made "more distant" by yesterday's meeing, said Mr Fred Smithies, general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers.

LEFT GIVES FREE PARDON TO TRUANTS

By MARGOT NORMAN Education Staff

LABOUR politicians in Liverpool voted yesterday to give a "free pardon" to children who miss school tomorrow to join the national schoolchildren's strike being organised by the Militant-led Youth Trade Union Rights Campaign.

As Labour members of Liverpool Education Committee voted unanimously to legalise truancy tomorrow by offering "guaranteed immunity from victimisation." there was uproar in the council chamber. Parents in the public gallery noisily opposed both the strike itself and their elected representatives' attitude towards it.

The school strike, which the organisers claim will bring 100,000 to 200,000 children out on the streets, has already split the Labour party and caused a wave of premature walk-outs from schools in Merseyside, Portsmouth, Southampton, Havant and Arbroath.

'Wage' claim

Mr Kinnock and other senior Labour politicians have publicly condemned the strike, which is in protest at the claim that the Government may "conscript" 16-year-olds into the new two-year Youth Training Scheme by stopping supplementary benefit for all 16-year-olds and 17 year-olds.

But 15 Left-wingers have signed a Commons motion supporting the strike and calling for a minimum "wage" of £55 a week, plus five weeks' paid holiday and a guaranteed job at the end of Y T S.

Inquiry into headmaster racism row

By Our Education Staff

THE Government is investigating the case of Mr Ray Honeyford, the Bradford headmaster who has been suspended after a prolonged row over racism, Mr Dunn, Schools Minister, said in the Commons yesterday.

Mr Dunn said his department had received several compaints about Mr Honeyford's treatment by Bradford council, where the Conservatives are theoretically in control but are in practice often dominated by a Lib.-Lab. pact.

Officials are investigating under Section 68 of the 1944 Education Act, which gives the Secretary of State power to intervene if he finds that a local authority has acted unreasonably.

Disciplinary hearing

Mr Honeyford is at present suspended on full pay. The governors of Drummond Middle School, who have previously backed him, meet tomorrow to set a date for a disciplinary hearing. Mr Honeyford has publicly opposed multi-racial teaching policies in Bradford.

Last night Bradford branch of the National Association of Head Teachers was meeting to discuss the case.

HEAD'S SON TO STAND TRIAL ON DRUG CHARGES

Andrew Tilbury, 20, son of the acting headmaster of Dartington Hall, Mr Roger Tilbury, yesterday elected to stand trial on three drugs charges and one of attempted theft of petrol. He was appearing at Totnes Magistrates' Court, Devon.

The court was told that analysis carried out for Tilbury, a former Dartington pupil, showed that amphetamines allegedly found on him amounted to one twelfth of a thousandth of a gram, and cocaine to one third of a thousandth of a gram. He is also charged with possessing cannabis.

Tilbury, of Park Road, Dartington, was remanded on bail until May 14 for committal proceedings. His father is soon to be succeeded as headmaster of the £6,000-a-year school by Dr Brian Nicholson, 41.

PHONE LINK CUT

Thousands of Lincolnshire telephone subscribers had their lines restored yesterday after a contractor mistakenly severed three trunk lines at Metheringham, near Lincoln, cutting off services for more than 12 hours.

A four-ton Army lorry which overturned on a wet road near the Sennelager training area in West Germany yesterday, killing two British soldiers and injuring 11 others.

Aims of jobs charter 'already implemented'

By STEPHEN BATES

THE Prime Minister told the House of Commons yesterday that the Government had already implemented two of the three proposals for creating employment put forward by the new Charter for Jobs campaign.

She said: "They propose to cut employer's National Insurance contributions, which has already occurred. They propose an increase in the Community Programme. That has already occurred. We have a number of things in common."

But Mr Jon Shields, Director of the new Employment Institute, set up to research into the campaign's policies, said: "It simply is not enough. What we are talking about in terms of the reduction of taxation and the expansion of the Community Programme is really very different from the sort of changes the Government has adopted within the general tight framework of its policies."

Public launch

In her first public statement about the employment pressure group, Mrs Thatcher was not as dismissive as some of her supporters have been, but neither did she give it anything approaching a warm welcome.

She told the Liberal Leader, Mr Steel: "Anyone who can help solve the problem in particular terms instead of just talking about it is welcome."

The campaign has been supported by senior figures in all the main parties, including Mr Prior, Mr Pym and Sir Ian Gilmour for the Conservatives.

Three former Prime Ministers, Mr Callaghan, Mr Heath and Lord Wilson, are the group's patrons. They did not attend the public launch of the Charter on Monday, because the organisers did not invite them, wanting to concentrate on putting forward the Charter and their policies instead.

Mr Shields said that the Charter's three-point programme calls for a cut in taxation on jobs, and expansion of public works projects and a guarantee of a job for everyone unemployed for more than a year.

ROLLS-ROYCE IN EURO DEAL ON ENGINES

By Our Air Correspondent

Rolls-Royce, Turbomeca of France and Motoren-und-Turbinen Union of West Germany, have signed an agreement to promote the sale of three new gas turbine engines for use in helicopters and small fixed-wing aircraft.

The agreement covers the T M333 being developed by Turbomeca, the M T M385 under development by Turbomeca and M T U, and the R T M322, which is being jointly produced by Rolls-Royce and Turbomeca. These three engines cover the range from 850 to 2,100 horsepower.

VIDEO PIRACY 'IS NOT THEFT'

THREE men convicted of conspiracy to steal after it was alleged they were involved in the video piracy of cinema films were cleared by the Court of Appeal yesterday.

The court held that the borrowing of films for copying did not, in law, amount to "theft," which implied an intention permanently to deprive an owner of his property.

Lord LANE, the Lord Chief Justice, said feature films which had been taken and unlawfully copied could still be screened and viewed, and they did not lose their inherent "goodness." The conviction of the three men of conspiracy under the Theft Act was not legally sound.

Sentence set aside

SIDNEY DOUGLAS LLOYD, 57, a cinema projectionist, of Oxow Lane, Dagenham, who was alleged to have passed on films to be copied, had his conviction quashed and sentence set aside. He had been given a 15-month jail sentence, six months of which was suspended.

Also cleared were RANJEET BHEEE, 30, technician, of Millward Walk, Woolwich, who had four months of a 12-month jail sentence suspended, and MOHAMMED ALI, sales assistant, of Emley Street, Woolwich, who received a six-month suspended sentence.

PEKING GO-SLOW

Peking's bus drivers have mounted a rare go-slow to protest about pay and bonuses, according to a senior Chinese trade union official.—Reuter.

Kinnock criticised for 'no motivation' among Labour MPs

By VALERIE ELLIOTT Political Staff

SENIOR Labour party officials are set to lambast Mr Kinnock, party leader, for the apparent lack of motivation among Labour M Ps.

They consider that too many M Ps are over-indulging their own egos and pursuing individual causes rather than concerting their efforts on behalf of the Labour movement.

The blame is not being placed solely on Mr Kinnock but on the general lack of organisation within the party.

There has been a growing distance between the Parliamentary party and the national staff at the Walworth Road headquarters.

It is felt that there is simply a lack of interest on the part of M Ps to work effectively and discussions are afoot on how best t win the "directed attention" of the 207 Labour M Ps.

Main problem

This is now seen as a main problem to be dealt with in Labour's preparations for the general election.

Although opinion polls may be favourable at the moment, officials recognise they must capitalise on the trend and make the party a more efficient body.

They believe that this cannot be done in the country if it is not demonstrated first in the Parliamentary Labour party.

Labour M Ps are increasingly abandoning their duties in the Commons for extra Parliamentary activities and their own interests ,and as a result the Labour benches are frequently abandoned, with only a token representation left to espouse the Labour cause.

While the frustrations of working in opposition are recognised, the turnout by Labour M Ps at many major debates, has been disappointing.

On Monday for example an Opposition-inspired debate on the Welfare States brought just 27 Labour M Ps on to the backbenches to listen to the opening speech. This dwindled to 23 for the wind-up.

But the work does not rest with the M Ps alone. A major reorganisation of Labour party headquarters is envisaged, with particular concentration on revamping the public relations and Press section.

ONSLAUGHT BY LABOUR ON BUS BILL

By ROLAND GRIBBEN Business Correspondent

LABOUR yesterday raised the tempo of its attacks on the Government's Transport Bill which contains proposals to deregulate the bus industry, in an effort to make the issue a vote-winner in local elections next month.

Mrs Dunwoody, Opposition transport spokesman, said the Bill would isolate communities, mean the end of concessionary passes, and lead to fare increases and produce "anarchy and chaos."

Labour is hoping to exploit criticism of the Bill by Tory leaders in shire counties.

More competition

Mr Ridley, Transport Secretary, wants to introduce almost unfettered competition into the bus industry outside London by making it easier to start services. Subsidies will be cut, but Mr Ridley says fare should fall.

The Labour attack on the Bill was linked to the publication of a party "Charter for Transport" which says a future Labour government would provide enough money to "provide people with the services they need at fares they can afford."

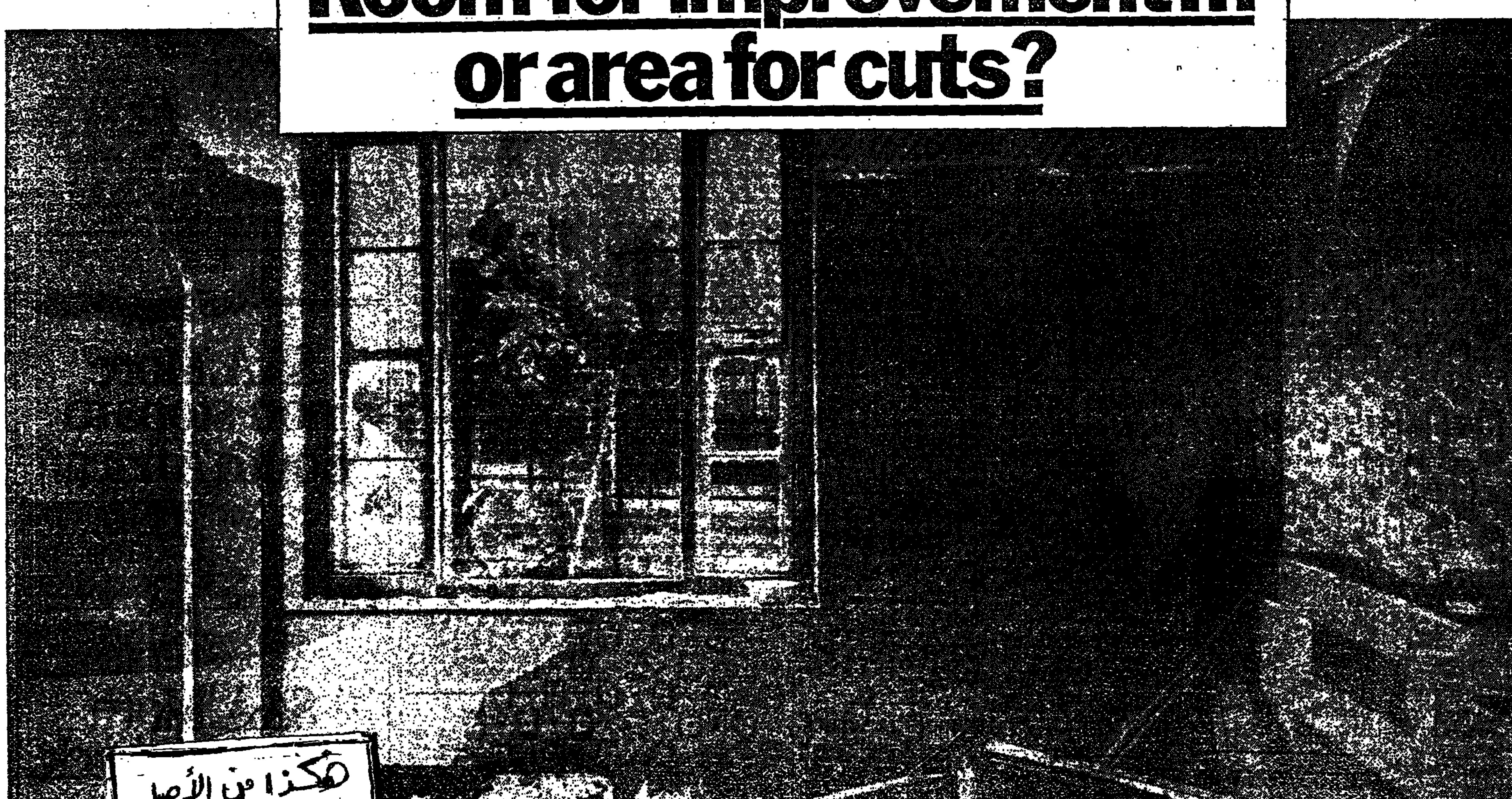
Charter for Transport, Labour party, 150, Walworth Road, London S.E.17. 70p.

2 DETECTIVES REMANDED

Two Metropolitan Police detectives, accused of incitement, conspiracy and perverting the course of justice, were remanded on bail for eight weeks at Bow Street yesterday.

Det. Sgt. Kenneth Day, 29, of the Central Robbery Squad, and Det. Con. Richard Chapman, 29, of the Regional Crime Squad are charged with inciting Cecil Leroy Lucas to commit robbery at the Co-operative Dairy, Ealing, conspiring with Lucas to commit the robbery and agreeing to destroy a statement made by Lucas.

Room for improvement... or area for cuts?



London still has a huge housing crisis. Tens of thousands are homeless and one home in four is unfit for human habitation, in serious disrepair, or lacking basic amenities such as a bathroom.

Although the very worst conditions are to be found in private sector rented housing, many council homes are now over 50 years old and badly in need of modernisation.

In 1980 the GLC began transferring its homes to the London boroughs and undertook a government-imposed legal duty to renovate that housing. As a result the GLC is investing in a massive £1,000 million programme of improvement up to 1992.

This programme is the biggest of its kind in the country. It has required the expertise both of the GLC and the private construction industry to deal with the immense problems concerned.

Abolition of the GLC would at best mean a tremendous disruption to the renovation programme. At worst, it could end it altogether. The Government has stated that the London boroughs will receive the money previously allocated to the GLC. However, during the past five years, the money made available by the Government for public investment in housing in London has been more than halved. Furthermore, a cut of £65 million in housing allocations was hailed as a 'victory' by the Secretary of State.

What price decent housing for Londoners after 1986, with this record?

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'THAT'S LIFE' £1·2m LIBEL BILL FOR BBC

By TERENCE SHAW Legal Correspondent

THE most costly libel action in English legal history ended yesterday with the BBC agreeing to pay £75,000 damages to a Harley Street slimming expert featured in ESTHER RANTZEN'S "That's Life" TV programme and facing a £1,200,000 bill for legal costs.

Settlement of the action brought by Dr SIDNEY GEE, 65, against the BBC was announced on the 87th day of a High Court hearing in London that began in October and which had been estimated to last until the end of this year.

Under the settlement, Dr Gee, of Chester Close North, Regent's Park, Camden, was awarded £75,000 agreed damages against the BBC, Miss Rantzen and two members of her "That's Life" team, GAVIN CAMPBELL, a reporter, and GORDON WATTS, the programme editor.

The BBC is also facing a bill for legal costs for the six-month hearing which for both sides is unofficially estimated at £1·2 million.

Although the length of the trial fell 14 days short of the record set in March 1981, in the unsuccessful libel case brought by leaders of the Moonies religious sect in Britain against the DAILY MAIL, the costs were the highest ever incurred in a libel case.

Dr Gee had claimed that he had been "pilloried" in a "That's Life" programme broadcast in June, 1983, when "highly damaging" allegations were made about his use of slimming drugs.

It was claimed the programme made out Dr Gee to be a "profiteering, unscrupulous quack"

Esther Rantzen

who was unfit to remain in the medical profession after allegedly prescribing drugs hat nearly killed a patient.

Announcing settlement of the action yesterday, Mr MICHAEL BELOFF, Q C, for Dr Gee, told the trial judge, Lord Justice CROOM-JOHNSON, that the BBC now accepted that the programme "dealt inadequately with certain of the important and complex issues" raised in he case.

The programme had featured one of Dr Gee's patient's, Mrs MARGARET DAY, a child-care assistant, of Binfield, Berks.

Mr Beloff told the judge that the BBC now acknowledged that it had been supplied with "certain information which was incorrect in respect of the patient who was the subject matter of the broadcast."

He added that the BBC regretted that in the course of preparing the programme about Dr Gee, their journalist had "obtained entry to his surgery and interviewed him to the distress of Dr Gee, his staff and his patients."

For the BBC and the other defendants to the libel action, Mr ANDREW RANKIN, Q C, said they were happy that a settlement had been achieved.

If the case had continued, it could have lasted until the end of the year "thereby adding to costs which have already reached enormous and burdensome proportions."

One of the terms of the settlement was that neither side would make any "out of court" comments, and Dr Gee, who had been in court throughout the hearing, left smiling with his legal advisers.

None of the "That's Life" team was in court to see the case end.

Although Dr Gee's case against the BBC is now settled, his action against two doctors who are alleged to have supplied the BBC with information still continues, and is to be resumed in the High Court today.

Jury discharged in complex case

Dr Gee has brought further libel actions against Mrs Day's GP, Dr CLEMENCY MITCHELL, of Reading, and Dr ROGER BLACKWOOD, a heart specialist, of Windsor.

They have both denied libel and are being backed by the MEDICAL PROTECTION SOCIETY and the MEDICAL DEFENCE UNION.

The trial of Dr Gee's action against the BBC and the "That's Life" team began with a jury, but the jury was discharged in November after the case had become exceptionally complex and there had been legal arguments over alleged improper cross-examintion of witnesses.

Shortly after the hearing began in October, the trial judge Sir David Crook-Johnson was appointed a Lord Justice of Appeal.

But having started the libel action, he has had to delay taking up his duties in the Court of Appeal.

Large amount for solicitors

Only last week he gave an interim ruling in the case by deciding that only doctors who devote their practice solely to one particular branch of medicine have the right to use the title "specialist."

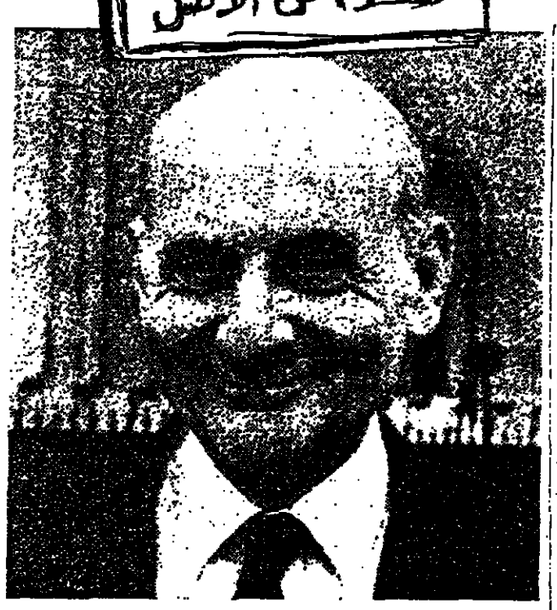
The particularly high costs of the case are said to be attributable to the complexities of the medical evidence.

Fees for leading counsel and their juniors have been estimated at £300,000.

Costs of the paperwork including daily transcripts and aking statements from some 30 witnesses who were to be called to give evidence have been put at about £200,000, with the balance of the costs being attributable to solicitors' fees.

Dr Gee's costs have been estimated at just under £500,000.

Another feature of the case was that it was dogged by the ill-health of its participants.



Dr Sidney Gee—£75,000 victory smile.

Newborn baby killed by 'jealous' terrier

PARENTS of newborn babies were warned by a veterinary surgeon yesterday that pet dogs can become jealous killers if they are snubbed because of the new arrival.

Mr RUSSELL WILLIAMS was speaking at the London inquest on a three-week-old girl who was savaged to death by her mother's Scottish terrier.

The baby, Mary, died almost immediately after the attack. She had been left unattended in a bedroom at her grandmother's home in Fulham.

Mr Williams told the Hammersmith inquest that dogs had "some human attitudes such as jealousy."

"It's very much an individual thing. They need careful handling when there's a new arrival in the family like a baby," he said.

"If tthe owner transfers affection from the dog to the baby the dog can become jealous and they need more attention than normal to get over this stage."

Mr Williams said terriers were originally bred as hunting dogs.

"Although they have become now successful pets obviously they do return to their natural instincts.

"It's very easy to blame the dog, but in general it is up to the owner to look after it."

The baby's unmarried mother, Miss MICHELLE ALDERMAN, of Wandsworth Bridge Road, Fulham, said she had had the dog, Jock, for six months and had been given it by her mother.

On the day of the attack, Jan. 17, she had left the baby in an upstairs bedroom and thought she had closed the door.

Open door

The baby's grandmother, Mrs MARY ALDERMAN, said she popped upstairs and saw that the door was half open. When she looked in she saw the dog on top of the baby. After pulling the dog away they telephoned for an ambulance.

Mr FREDERICK LUKE, an ambulanceman, said the baby had "horrific mauling round the face," blood on her neck and she was not breathing.

A pathologist, Prof. DAVID BOWEN, said the dog had inflicted head, face and neck injuries on the baby. There were 36 deep gashes and puncture marks clearly caused by the dog's teeth.

"The baby died from multiple wounds and intense shock," he said.

The West London Coroner, Dr JOHN BURTON, said such a case was "very, very rare."

Because people became so emotionally involved with dogs some might think a dog would not have killed the baby, he said. But considerable tests had shown the baby was perfectly healthy and had died as a result of the attack.

Recording a verdict of death by misadventure, he said: "Animals obviously have emotions of their own."

TEENAGER ON DEATHS CHARGE

Vincent Kent, 17, of Richmond Place, Brighton, appeared before Hove magistrates yesterday accused of causing the deaths of a taxi driver and his woman passenger by reckless driving in Hove early on Sunday.

Kent, also charged with taking a car without consent, driving while disqualified and driving without insurance, was remanded in custody for a week.

Soccer mobs 'victims of a fever'

SOCCER hooligans are "respectable and peaceful" people who never drink or swear until struck by the "fever" of mob violence, a magistrate said yesterday.

Mr JAMES JOBLING, the Horseferry Road magistrate, gave this description when Mr ADRIAN LAING, defending, asked him to form an opinion of his client's character from the mild-mannered way he had given his evidence.

But he found timid-looking, quietly-spoken PAUL GREENE, a Chelsea fan, guilty of threatening behaviour, saying: "There's no doubt in my mind it's this mob violence which seems to be a fever which seizes you people."

Charge denied

GREENE, 17, a technician, of Albion Street, West Croydon, denied the charge, and was allowed bail pending reports.

He was alleged to have raised his fist and growled at rival supporters after the Chelsea-Sunderland match last month which ended in 107 arrests.

MISSILE-THROWER

Hooligan sentenced

A soccer thug already serving 18 months for grievous bodily harm was sentenced to a month's youth custody at Horseferry for hooliganism.

Christopher Wright, a 20-year-old Chelsea fan, of Wood Lane, Shepherds Bush, was arrested for throwing a missile at rival Sheffield supporters at Stamford Bridge, then trying to punch a policeman whom he pushed over some seats.

'SPYING' WALK-OUT

Twenty-five workers at the George Williams Newsagents wholesale warehouse in Swansea walked out yesterday after claiming the management had positioned security cameras in the ceiling without consultation.

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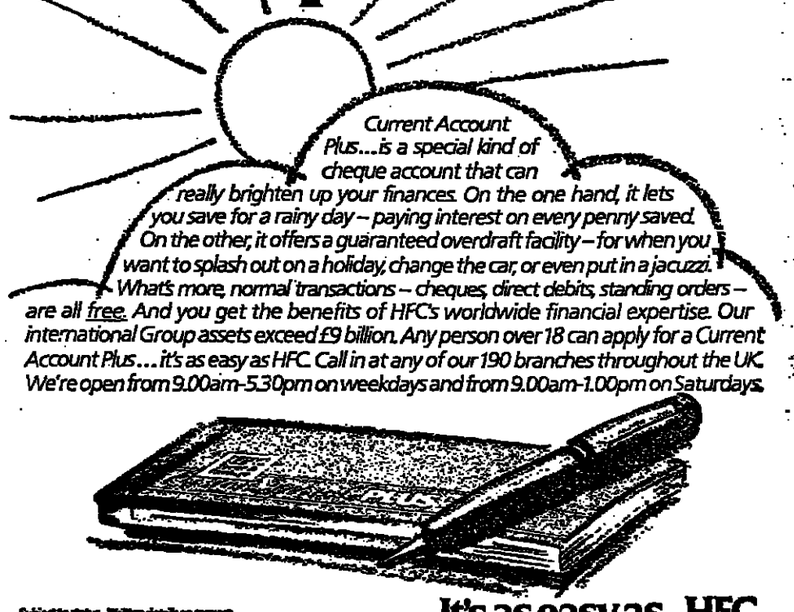

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'Spy in cab' trapped rape attempt driver

By GUY RAIS

JIMMY TEMPLE, a 27-year-old van driver, was convicted of attempted rape on the evidence of a "spy in the cab" tachograph device at Winchester Crown Court yesterday.

Temple, born in London of West Indian parents, was remanded in custody for two weeks for a possible life sentence by Mr Justice STUART-SMITH after the court heard that he had been convicted of raping a 19-year-old girl six years ago.

The judge told Temple, of Brownlow Road, Willesden: "I take a very serious view of this case, and that you are potentially a great danger. I have in mind passing an indeterminate sentence, but I will not do that until I have received medical and psychiatric reports."

Temple pleaded not guilty to attempted rape, robbery and grievous bodily harm of a 58-year-old, unmarried West German school teacher on holiday in Britain last August.

She was strolling through the New Forest near Lymington, close to the A35, when Temple approached her.

He lost his self-control when he failed to rape the woman, who was a virgin, and savagely beat her on the head and body before robbing her of money and a distinctive fountain pen.

During the attack the tachograph meter recorded the vital 19 minutes.

Temple had driven from London earlier that morning to make bakery deliveries in Hampshire. The "spy in the cab" recorded every stop, start and movement of the van.

When detectives traced him to his home and examined the tachograph from his firm for

James Temple: viciously beat his victim.

that day, it recorded a delivery in Christchurch, Hants., and then a distance of 14 miles to the attempted rape scene with a 19 minutes stop—the duration of the attack.

Temple admitted being in the district but denied being the man involved. His 17-year-old girlfriend backed his alibi, telling the court he had been sitting in the van with her while another black man wom he had given a lift had gone into the woods.

But after the prosecution called evidence that the girl, Diana Simms, of Harlesden, had been in a Richmond nursing home that whole day and night having her pregnancy by Temple terminated, the judge said it was "clearly a case of untrue evidence which is a matter for the Director of Public Prosecutions to consider."

Nine days after the attack police found the four-coloured fountain pen at the flat of another of Temple's girlfriends.

'STAY SOBER' ORDER TO MAN ON BAIL

An unemployed man is to report each night at 11 to his local police station—for officers to make sure that he stays sober. A magistrate made the decision yesterday when he banned Alfred Millman, 30, from all pubs and off licences as a condition of bail.

Mr Eric Crowther, Horseferry Road Magistrate, added: "If they see you have been drinking, they will keep you in custody."

Millman, of Amberley Road, Maida Vale, was freed on bail after spending two weeks in custody on remand, accused of wounding his brother Raymond at the family home in Fairford House, Kennington.

BOY, 2, SAVAGED BY FAMILY DOG

Two-year-old Matthew Turner had more than 50 stitches in his face and hands following a two-hour operation at Poole General Hospital after being savaged by his family's pet golden retriever.

His great-grandfather, Mr Ron Phillips, licensee of the Swan Inn, Poole, where Matthew lives and the attack happened, believed Matthew picked up a broom and the 10-year-old dog attacked, mistakenly thinking he was going to be beaten. The dog was put down immediately after the attack.

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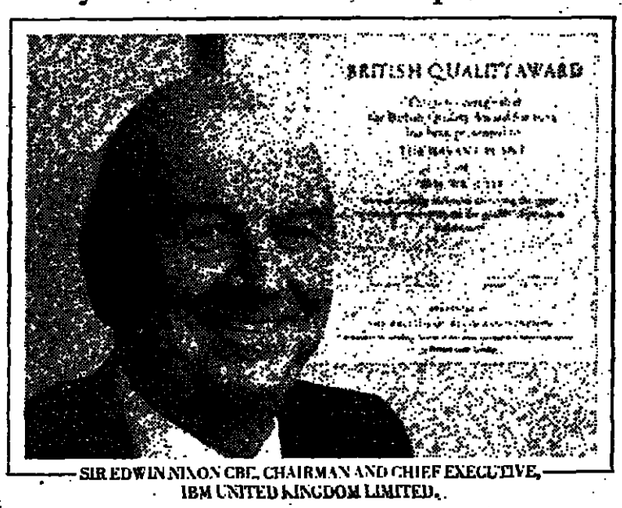

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The company's group turnover in the UK was £2,349 million, an increase of 40% over the 1983 figure.

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IBM is Britain's 47th biggest company.

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The Chairman commented, "In total, over the past two years, we have added more than 1,900 new jobs, an achievement which I believe is unmatched in the industry." For a copy of Sir Edwin Nixon's full statement and the 1984 Annual Review, write to IBM United Kingdom Limited, External Programmes, South Bank, London SE1 9PZ.

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LASER TO DESTROY RUSSIAN ICBMs ON LAUNCH 'READY IN 5 YEARS'

By RICHARD BEESTON in Washington

WITHIN five years America would be able to test a laser defence system able to destroy Russian missiles while still over the Soviet Union, Dr George Keyworth, President Reagan's Scientific Adviser, said yesterday.

The Soviet Union, he said, was now "extremely frightened" that its huge nuclear missile superiority and its potential for nuclear blackmail was under threat from the space-based Strategic Defence Initiative.

The SDI project would prove that the inter-continental ballistic missile was no longer a reliable nuclear weapons delivery system.

"Then you have a missing ingredient at our arms control table, the ability to negotiate something whose importance is diminishing," he said. "What we really have is an opportunity to turn the arms race around."

Dr Keyworth said that one of the technologies that "looks better and better all the time," was the ground-based pulse laser which could destroy at small cost "the great big monstrosity" (the Soviet ICBM) while over Russian territory and before its multiple warheads had separated.

If America went all out, it could cut the research programme by two years and would be able to test the the feasibility of the laser system within three years.

The Russians, he said, were deeply worried about the increasing technological gap and were concerned that it would minimise their conventional military advantage as well.

Asked if the Americans would be prepared to give up SDI in return for substantial Soviet reductions in its nuclear arsenal, he replied:

"I know of nothing that the President is more committed to than SDI. Nor do I know of any legacy that he can leave that he feels is more important to the American people.

"The Russians' greatest fear of SDI is that it is going to couple our industrial and technological engine more closely to defence.

"For some time we have played much of the game by their rules. Now we are threatening to do a far better job by incorporating our technological resources," Dr Keyworth declared.

Strong deterrent

Explaining how a laser would destroy a missile in its "boost phase," he said that a laser could put out 10-20 "pulses" a second.

In the first five minutes of the launch of a Russian ICBM, 3,000 missile-destroying pulses could be emitted from a single anti-missile laser while the missile was still over "aggressor territory."

Asked if the move toward creating a missile defence system might encourage Russia to launch a pre-emptice attack, Dr Keyworth replied that America's strategic nuclear submarine force would be a strong deterrent against Soviet aggression.

Dr Keyworth said one reason for the demotion of Marshal Nikolai Ogarkov, the Soviet Chief of Staff, was his concern about the American technological threat and the changes he demanded

Dr Keyworth asserted that he did not see "any serious technological constraints" to research and development of SDI imposed by the American-Soviet anti-ballistic missile treaty of 1972.

U.S.-Soviet talks hopes dimmed

By DAVID SHEARS in Washington

PROSPECTS of easing tensions at a possible encounter between President Reagan and Mr Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, in September dimmed yesterday as Washington and Moscow traded charges on disarmament and the recent shooting of an American major in East Germany.

Mr Weinberger, American Defence Secretary, accused the Russians of lying in disputing the American version of the talks between American and Soviet generals on the killing of Major Aruthr Nicholson.

The meeting of military commanders in Germany, held on April 12, was called to discuss ways of preventing such incidents affecting Members of Allied and Soviet military liaison missions in future.

'Actions lawful'

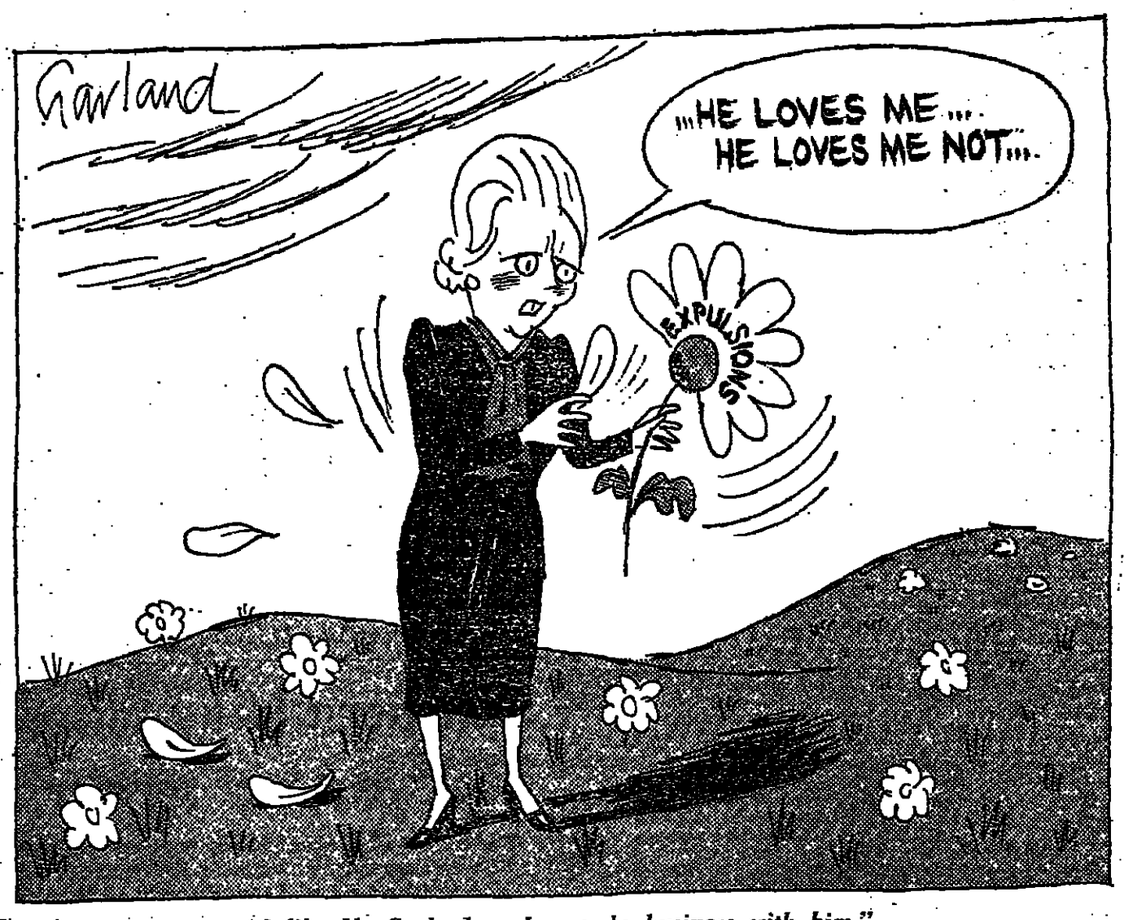
To Washington's surprise, Moscow on Monday night disputed last week's State Department statement that the Rusians had agreed at the meeting that they would not use force in future on such occasions, and that the question of compensating Major Nicholson's family had been referred to "higher authorities."

The Moscow response contradicted almost every point in the United States version, saying: "The actions of the Soviet sentry were completely lawful."

The statement, issued through the Soviet Embassy in Washington, also said: "The assertion that the Soviet Union illogically agreed to consider some kind of compensation . . . and to renounce the right to take legitimate steps provided by the military manual does not correspond to the facts."

The State Department promptly dubbed the Soviet response "unacceptable" and said it stood by its own version.

In Geneva, United States-Soviet talks on nuclear and space arms broke up for a recess yesterday with little sign of progress during the past six weeks.



"I like Mr Gorbacher. I can do business with him."

WEU ministers agree on space response

By MICHAEL FARR in Bonn

FOREIGN and defence ministers of the Western European Union ended a meeting in Bonn yesterday with an agreement to try to form "as far as possible" a co-ordinated response to the American invitation on research into space defence.

"Each country will answer the invitation for itself, but the response will be co-ordinated," said Herr Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister.

Although not on the formal agenda, President Reagan's space-based Strategic Defence Initiative dominated the discussions of the 14 ministers from Britain, France, West Germany, Italy, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Their progress on SDI will be examined at the next meeting in Italy in October.

But Mr Heseltine, Defence Secretary, cautioned that it would be some time before the European states were in a position to take either independent or joint action on the American research programme.

"We are at the very beginning of a dialogue with the United States," he said. "Until you have completed the initial dialogue, you cannot determine the extent of co-ordination."

Following a French initiative, the ministers also announced their determination to boost European research into new areas of high technology and to achieve the creation of a "technological community."

CHEMICAL WEAPONS WARNING

By Air Cdre G. S. COOPER Defence Staff

GEN. BERNARD ROGERS, Supreme Allied Commander Europe, says that Nato nations must face up to the need to establish procedures for the release of retaliartory chemical weapons.

In an interview with JANE'S DEFENCE WEEKLY he said discussion of chemical weapons was so sensitive in Western Europe that the role the political authorities wished to play had become too touch to handle.

"I find it is put in the too-sensitive, too tough, box and it just reposes there," he said.

Gen. Rogers said Governments must establish what procedures they wished to be followed to enable poltical authorities individually and collectively to play a role.

"It is a weapon of mass destruction, and any weapon of mass destruction must come under the continual direct cognisance of the political authorities, in my opinion," he added.

Need to deter

He hoped that under Lord Carrington as Nato secretary-general a decision would be made on procedures similar to those for release of nuclear weapons. "Certainly that would be adequate as far as I am concerned because it gets the nation's leadership involved," the general added.

He was "bothered by it" because he was told to be prepared to retaliate in kind, but appropriate procedures were essential if Nato was to deter use of the weapons concerned.

Some very senior authorities had said to him: "Well, Bernie, when the war comes, we political authorities will fade out and you military will run the war."

On that he asserted: "Well, they can't abdicate that responsibility. They commend this Alliance, peace and war, and they cannot abdicate that, in my opinion."

Gen. Rogers repeated his belief that America should start producing binary chemical warfare weapons. Current stocks, averaging 23 years of age, were unreliable.

PEKING ENVOY BACK FROM MOSCOW TALKS

Qian Qichen, the Chinese special enjoy, arrived back in Peking yesterday after more talks in Moscow on Sino-Soviet normalisation, but the talks are still stalled on China's demand for the Russians to make the first concession.

Asked whether there had been any movement towards the removal of China's "three obstacles," to better relations with Moscow, the Vice Foreign Minister replied, "Significant progress has not been achieved."

China has said repeatedly that efforts towards full détente were being hindered by the Russian intervention in Afghanistan, Moscow's backing for Vietnam's occupation of Cambodia, and Soviet troops massed along China's borders. —Reuter.

Gorbachev promotes allies to Politburo

By NIGEL WADE in Moscow

THE Soviet secret police chief and the new Defence Minister won Politburo promotion yesterday at the first session of the Communist party central committee since Mr Gorbachev became party leader six weeks ago.

Mr Viktor Chebrikov, 61, head of the KGB State security organisation, rose to full membership of the ruling Politburo from non-voting, candidate status.

Marshal Sergei Sokolov, 73, Defence Minister since Marshal Ustinov died in December, became a candidate member. This was seen as a necessary gesture towards the military but stops short of giving it a Politburo vote.

The number of full Politburo members was raised from 10 to 13. In addition to Mr Chebrikov, Mr Yegor Ligachev, 64, the chief of party personnel, and Mr Nikolai Ryzhkov, 55, head of the party's economic department, also became full members.

Restored numbers

The three new full members are regarded as close allies of Mr Gorbachev. Their average age is 60.

By promoting them so early in his term, Mr Gorbachev not only restored the dwindling numbers of the full Politburo hit by the deaths of "old guard" members, but also showed his political strength.

His predecessor, President Chernenko, managed to place no supporters in the Politburo before he died last month, after 13 months in power.

Mr Gorbachev, at 54, remains the youngest Politburo member, while the average age of the new, 13-man body drops from 67 to 65, in line with his policy of promoting younger leaders at all levels.

Western observers believe Mr Gorbachev will need the support of Mr Chebrikov, the KGB boss, and Mr Ligachev, the party personnel director, in his effort to purge corrupt, decrepit and incompetent members from the 500-member central committee at the party's next five-yearly congress.

Andropov men

The date of the congress was fixed yesterday for next February.

Mr Gorbachev will also need the help of the KGB in carrying on the drive for discipline and honesty throughout the party and government.

Mr Chebrikov served under Mr Gorbachev's former patron, President Andropov, when Mr Androov was KGB chief for 15 years. Mr Ligachev, a former party boss of Tomsk, Siberia, was also groomed by Mr Andropov.

Mr Ligachev and Mr Ryzhov were already powerful secretaries of the central committee. They skipped the interim rank of candidate Politburo member and went directly into full membership.

£1 billion Renault loss

By MICHAEL FIELD in Paris

RENAULT, the French State-owner car and lorry manufacturer, lost 12·5 billion francs (£1·06 billion) last year, M. Georges Besse, the newly-appointed president and general manager, disclosed yesterday.

The huge loss, nearly 12 times that in 1983, has been expected for some weeks, following earlier revelations and the unceremonious dismissal of M. Bernard Hanon from the presidency.

The figure includes 4·5 billion francs (£382 million) expenditure and allocations for industrial, commercial and staff reorganisation.

M. Besse's decision to release loss figures one month before the main board meeting on May 21 was seen as foreshadowing large-scale reorganisation and giving trade unions and the Government time to think about it.

M. Besse, who earned his repuation as a ruthless industrial boss by his unhesitating policy for the state-owned aluminium giant Pechiney, is expected to make drastic changes at Renault.

Big changes expected

There has even been a report that he plans to close the big Paris works at Boulogne-Billancourt, traditional home of the company, and transfer the whole operation to Ongwy, a depressed steel town in Lorraine.

But yesterday's disclosure is seen as a sign that he has decided against abrupt measures and wants to let the truth about Renault "sink in." There is talk of the loss of as many as 25,000 jobs.

WAR VETERANS FROM RUSSIA

A Soviet ship with war veterans on board would visit Norway and Denmark as part of celebrations of the end of the war 40 years ago, an official of the Danish-Soviet Association said in Copenhagen yesterday.

The cruise ship, Marija Jermolova, is to leave Murmansk on Sunday for a two-week tour, visiting five Scandinavian ports, including Oslo and Copenhagen. —Reuter.

BODIES 'VICTIMS OF FRENCH'

Discovery this month of a grave containing the bodies of at least 62 men, women and children near Mila, eastern Algeria, was new proof of the "ferocious bestiality" of French troops during the Algerian war, the official Algerian news agency said yesterday

The bodies, some showing signs of torture, were buried at the site between 1950 and 1960, the agency said.—A P.

CHRISTIANS 'TEACH A LESSON'

By CON COUGHLIN in Sidon

IN the gentle hills which overlook the south Lebanese ort of Sidon it was a case of mission accomplished yesterday for a group of Christian militia artillerymen.

The 450 militiamen arrived at dead of night eight days ago, set up their artillery, and proceeded to pound the Palestinian and Moslem communities in the lower-lying city suburbs.

Now they were dismantling the guns and loading shells back on to their lorries for a return journey to the Christian heartland in east Beirut whence they had come.

'Communities now safe'

"It has been a good fight and we hit them with everything we had," Artillery Commander Gilbert Ghostine, 26, said with an unmistakeable air of satisfaction.

"We came here to teach the Moslems and Palestinians a lesson and we believe they have learned it."

Among the fighters leaving the Christian positions yesterday was Jean Badawi, 14. His voice has not yet broken. He has been with the Christian militia for two years.

The general mood among the militiamen was of jubilation and as they waited in their cars to leave. "We go knowing that the Christian communities here are safe and that no one will dare to attack them again," said Commander Ghostine.

The fighting between Christian and Moslem militias in Sidon has left at least 100 people dead and at least 500 wounded in a month-long battle that has helped to bring Lebanon to the brink of full-scale civil war.

Harbour hold-up

The surprise announcement of a withdrawal by the commander of the so-called "Lebanese forces," Dr Samir Geagea, who had wanted to display support for Christian communities in south Lebanon, is seen as a boost to the country's stability.

But hopes that withdrawal of the Christian forces could be safely completed within a day were frustrated.

A small ship that had sailed round the Lebanese coast from east Beirut with lorries and lifting equipment to help the Christian militamen leave Sidon was unable to dock because of the weather.

This provoked angry scenes among some militiamen. One irate man fired on the ship with his rifle, narrowly missing passengers, in an attempt to persuade the captain to dock. Another attempt is to be made today.

VISITOR FROM SEYCHELLES

By Our Diplomatic Staff

President Albert Rene of the Seychelles, who is on a private visit to London, paid a courtesy call on Mrs Thatcher at Downing Street yesterday.

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ALL-BLACK TOUR OPPONENT HELD IN S. AFRICA

By CHRISTOPHER MUNNION in Johannesburg

SOUTH AFRICAN Security Police yesterday arrested three leading members of the United Democratic Front, the umbrella organisation for anti-Apartheid groups which the government claims is a "front" for the banned African National Congress.

Among those arrested was Mr Patrick "Terror" Lekota, the publicity secretary who was organising the U D F's opposition to the proposed tour of South Africa by New Zealand's All Blacks rugby team. Mr Lekota derives his nickname "terror" from his prowess on the football field.

He was arrested at Port Elizabeth airport shortly after arriving for discussions with black trade union leaders.

Mr Popo Molefe, the U D F General Secretary, and Mr Moses Chikane, a Pretoria activist, were arrested in the Transvaal. All three are being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act which provides for indefinite solitary confinement.

"It is striking that 'Terror' Lekota was detained so soon after the decision to protest against the New Zealand rugby tour," said a U D F statement.

'Symbol of Afrikanerdom'

"We see this as a reprisal against the U D F and Mr Lekota for challenging a symbol of Afrikaner culture. We want to know what this has to do with State security."

The U D F, which represents more than 600 organisations in South Africa from village women's organisations to trade unions, is a multi-racial organisation which professes to campaign for change by peaceful means.

At least 30 of its leading members are in jail awaiting trial on charges of high treason arising from disturbances in the black townships in the Vaal Triangle, South of Johannesburg, last year and protests in Natal which included the occupation of the British consulate in Durban.

A police spokesman said they were investigating the involvement of the three detainees in the Transvaal unrest.

Aim is revolution

In Parliament in Cape Town, Mr P. W. Botha, the State President, repeated his allegation that the U D F was "an extension of the African National Congress and the South African Communist party."

Addressing the Indian chamber, known as the House of Delegates, Mr Botha said the aim of the U D F was to mobilise the masses and incite them towards confrontation with the authorities. "They hope in this way to create a spiral of increasing violence which will culminate in revolution."

Mr Botha said that "Left-wing radical forces" were making unreasonable demands, and were being instigated by forces which did not have the prosperity and stability of the country at heart.

It was mainly the contribution of white South Africans that had liberated the country from colonialism. Afterwards they had started broadening democracy in South Africa "with the result that millions who had no vote under the colonial system have it today."

'We will reap chaos'

Under the leadership of whites, and with the co-operation of other population groups, South Africa had been developed economically and militarily to its present stage as a regional power in Africa.

"If we work for orderly government, economic stability and civilised values, we will achieve it. But if we encourage chaos, we will reap chaos," Mr Botha said.

The Anglican Bishop of Johannesburg, the Rt Rev. Desmond Tutu, condemned the arrests. He said the government ought not to detain people with whom it should be talking.

Addressing a white audience at Witwatersrand University in Johannesburg, he said the unrest was the result of Pretoria's racial segregation policies and that apartheid would end, either peacefully or violently.

Lack of vote

This unrest was endemic and fed on black anger over inferior education, pass laws, forced removals and other grievances. He deplored the fact that blacks—73 per cent. of the population—were still without political power.

"I am a Bishop of God, 53 years old and cannot vote in the country of my birth, while an 18-year-old can because he is white," he said.

Unrest goes on

Another black man has died in continuing unrest in black townships in the Eastern Cape province and in the Transvaal. The man died in hospital after a confrontation with police at Duduza, near Nigel, in the East Rand.

Lt-Col Vadim Cherkasov, the expelled Soviet assistant military attache, leaving Heathrow for Moscow yesterday with his wife Natasha and their son Stanislav.

East German leader signs Italy pact

By LESLIE CHILDE in Rome

HERR HONECKER, the East German President, conferred with Italian leaders in Rome yesterday and last night signed a treaty of economic, industrial and technical co-operation.

"We think between the two of us we can whip up a lot of mutually profitable business," said a Government official. The Italians and East Germans discussed a wide range of key issues in their drive to "break down the wall of diffidence between the two countries."

It is the first visit to a Nato national by an East German Head of State. The 73-year-old Communist leader chatted with his hosts about the moves to ease tensions between the superpowers and curb the arms race.

They touched on the controversy over President Reagan's Space Defence Initiative involving geospatial weapons.

7,000 held

Today Herr Honecker will have an unprecedented audience with the Pope despite bitter protests by a human rights organisation which claims that the East German Communist regime is holding more than 7,000 political prisoners.

The International Association for Human Rights held a Press conference in Rome to disclose further facts about repression in East Germany.

Nine people who managed to flee across the Iron Curtain beseeched he Pope to help seek the release of family members still detained by the Honecker regime.

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Judge attacks sacking of inquiry witnesses

By CHRISTOPHER MUNNION in Johannesburg

A SOUTH AFRICAN judge conducting the inquiry into the Uitenhage shootings by police last month summoned a Divisional Council secretary yesterday to explain why three ambulancemen who had testified before him had subsequently been sacked.

Mr Joseph Berry, Mr Dennis Barlow and Mr Michael Goqo, were dismissed after giving evidence to the Commission of finding a dead baby at the scene of the shooting and later seeing the baby's body in the sluice room of a hospital.

When Mr Justice Donald Kannemeyer, of the Eastern Cape Supreme Court was told of the men's dismissal, he sent for Mr Nigel Anderson, Secretary of the Dias Divisional Council which employed them.

"It would appear that a decision has been reached that their evidence has been unsatisfactory or has rendered their continued service inappropriate. This would be a clear attempt to anticipate the findings of the Commission," said the judge.

Evidence 'twisted'

When Mr Anderson appeared before the Commission, he declined to give the judge an assurance that no other ambulanceman would be prejudiced because of his evidence.

Mr Anderson said the three men had "twisted" their evidence. They had alleged they had been told by their superiors to hide facts from the Commission and he "could not allow this disrespect to continue."

Mr Justice Kannemeyer replied: "You have decided that what they said was twisted. The damage has been done. I can't expect other ambulancemen to testify freely if they are going to be judged by their seniors before giving evidence."

The judge said he had intended calling other ambulance drivers, but that developments had put them "in an extraordinary position."

Woman testifies

In earlier evidence, the ambulancemen had admitted they could not be sure whether the body of the two-year-old child seen in the hospital had been shot, or had been at the scene of the shooting.

Lawyers acting for the Minister of Law and Order called a Coloured (mixed race) woman to testify that her two-year-old child had died in her arms of gastro-enteritis at the hospital on the day of the shooting.

'EXPLOSION' FORECAST BY KAUNDA

By Christopher Munnion in Johannesburg

PRESIDENT KAUNDA of Zambia has forecast a "violent explosion" in South Africa within two years which, he said, would engulf the entire southern African region.

In an interview with the weekly FINANCIAL MAIL, he said the current unrest in South Africa's black townships was "the beginnings of sad things to come.

"As far back as 1972 I predicted a violent explosion in South Africa in 15 years.

"I am not a prophet, but I am a praying man. I believe in God. I can't see him allowing that situation (in South Africa) to go on.

"I can't see it happening any other way, unless of course the four million white Africans—not Afrikaners, Africans—change their stance and accept that, as Africans, they are part and parcel of the human family that found homes in their common country."

A N C as mouthpiece

Dr Kuanda said he had been urging South Africa's leaders to talk to the African National Congress which should be accepted as the mouthpiece of by far the greatest majority of the African people.

He said he was not urging white Africans to capitulate. "We should change the present order as peacefully as possible. It is sharing power I am talking about.

"Capitulation may lead to the four million whites acting as guerrillas. We don't want that to happen," he said.

5 DIE IN MAPUTO

Five people, including three officials of Mozambique's ruling Frelimo party, were killed by guerrillas of the Mozambique National Resistance on Friday near the capital, Maputo, according to the official Aim news agency.—Reuter.

THE LAW OF THE JUNGLE

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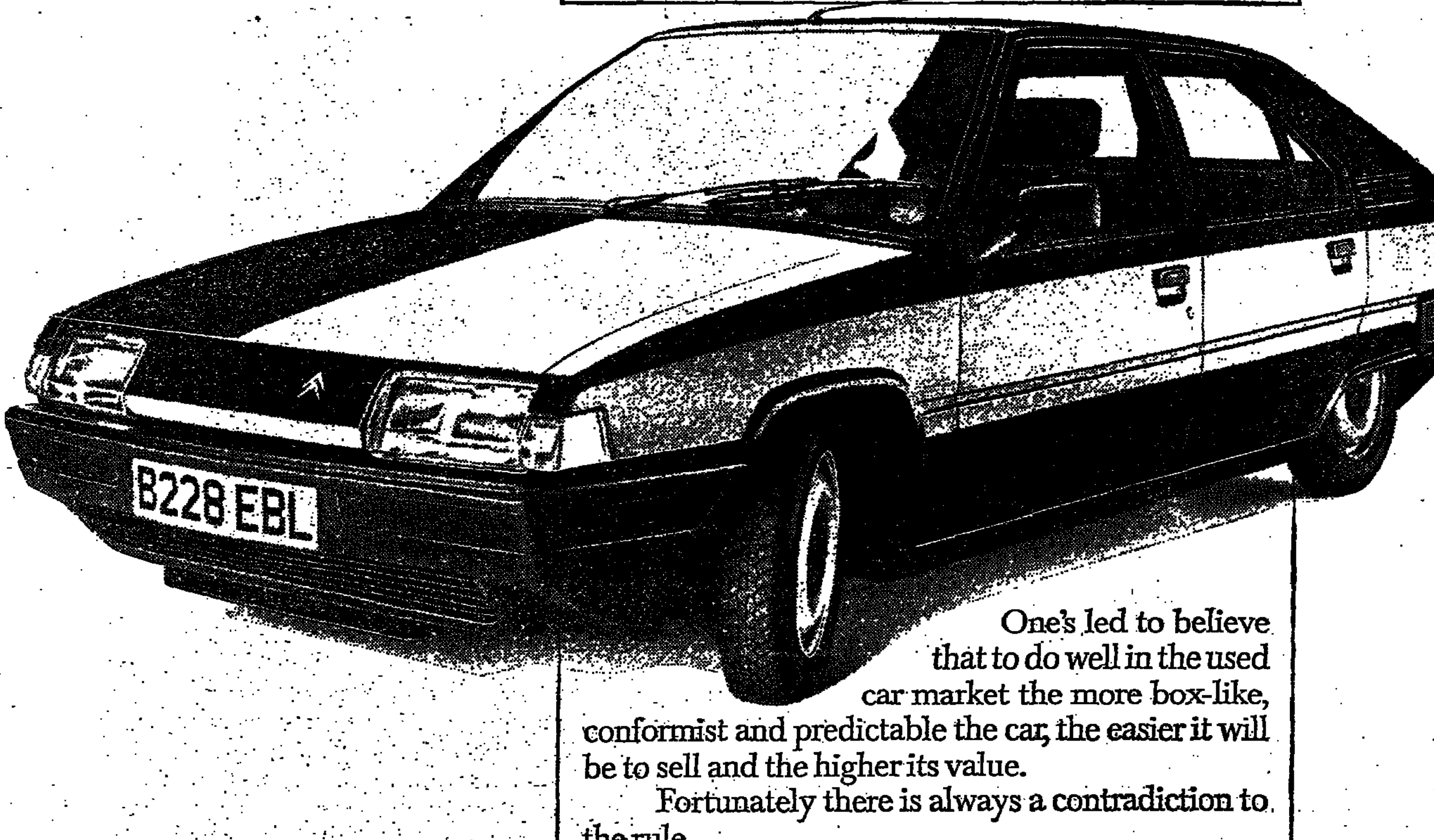

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15 DIE IN FRESH INDIAN RIOTS ON 'PLACES FOR LOWER CASTES'

By BALRAM TANDON in New Delhi

AT LEAST 15 people were killed and 80 injured as riots continued yesterday in Ahmedabad, western India, over a Gujarat state policy favouring tribal people, low-caste Hindus, and Untouchables.

Forty-four people are reckoned to have been killed in Ahmedabad, the state capital, since students, backed by a parents' organisation, began agitating against the policy four months ago. There have been up to 35 deaths in the past week.

The policy over which rival mobs have battled is to increase college and civil service places reserved for the classes concerned from 31 to 49 per cent.

Yesterday's renewed rioting had occurred as regular Indian Army units were fanning out to enforce order, and much of it was in outlying labour camps and slum areas, where many of the residents support the reservations policy.

Police assault Press

A mob supporting the policy wrecked the car of Mr Indubhai Patel, president of the Gujarat Janata party and state Opposition leader, who was injured and taken to hospital. The state has a Congress party ministry.

People were stabbed, shot, stoned, and burned to death in the clashes. Police fired 50 or more bullets yesterday, and dozens of tear-gas shells.

In New Delhi Mr S. B. Chavan, Home Minister, acknowledged to Parliament that some police in Ahmedabad had left their posts and become involved in the disorder. Police had committed arson and damaged private property on Monday, he added.

The situation worsened when a crowd attacked some investigators and killed a policeman who was escorting them.

Crowds of police are reported to have attacked nearly all the newspaper offices and many journalists in Ahmedabad. They accuse the Press of giving highly-coloured and exaggerated reports of police atrocities during the agitation.

The newspapers attacked include the WESTERN TIMES, a largue multi-centre publication, and the INDIAN EXPRESS.

The office of the Gujarati-language daily, GUJARAT SAMACHAR, was extensively damaged by fire started by police.

Yesterday police clamped an indefinite curfew on Ahmedabad, a city of 2,500,000 people, and leaders of a movement opposing the reservation system agreed to halt agitation. Students, mainly from upper-caste Hindu families, claim the quotas deprive them of places earned on merit.

The Opposition in the New Delhi Parliament walked out en masse when the Speaker refused to allow a debate on the Ahmedabad situation, and Congress party MPs accused the Opposition of using the agitation to embarrass the Government of Mr Rajiv Gandhi.

Mr Chavan denied reports that Mr Madhavsinh Solanki, Chief Minister of Gujarat State, had haned over the administration to the Army.

According to some reports people not involved in the controversy over reserved places were among those attacked by mobs and beaten in Ahmedabad. Police were also often a target for violence.

Ironically the city has had a long association with the concept of satyagraha (peaceful, truthful and non-violent protest) preached by Mahatma Gandhi, who also avocated better treatment of Untouchables.

A grief-worn Maryanna Popieluszko carrying her murdered son's picture as fellow priests paid homage at his grave in Warsaw yesterday.

MURDERED PRIEST PRAISED

HUNDREDS of Poles attended an emotional St George's Day Mass in honour of the murdered pro-Solidarity priest Father Popieluszko yesterday and heard a Roman Catholic bishop praise him as a champion of justice and freedom.

The Mass was held at the Warsaw Church of St Stanislaw Kostka, the former church of Father Popieluszko, who was kidnapped and murdered by secret police officers in October. Four officers were convicted of the killing in February.

A huge picture of Father Popieluszko was displayed outside the church where the priest is buried. It depicted the cleric as his patron saint and namesake St George, astride a horse and plunging a lance into the writhing body of a red dragon symbolising Communism.

Sentences upheld

"Father Popieluszko wanted to die for his countrymen so that they could live in justice and freedom in future," Bishop Wladyslaw Miziolek told the 1,000-strong congregation. "He lifted the cross under which thousands are gathering to pray for honesty and truth so that Poland can be Poland."

The Mass was celebrated after Poland's Supreme Court upheld the prison sentences imposed on the four secret police officers convicted in the Popieluszko killing after rejecting defence lawyers' appeals for their reduction.

Kabul assembly to herald 'iron fist' drive on rebels

By M. AFTAB in Islamabad

A GRAND tribal assembly was opened in Kabul yesterday by President Babrak Karmal in an attempt to gain support for his Russian-backed war against the Afghan guerrillas.

Last week he said that the assembly was to take crucial decisions against the guerrillas.

But guerrilla leaders in Afghanistan and Pakistan have described the Kabul gathering as "a puppet show without any significance."

Kabul Radio, monitored in Islamabad, said the opening session of the assembly, the Loya Jirga, was attended by 1,996 delegates, about four times more than any earlier nationwide tribal gatherings.

One unconfirmed report said the Mujahideen guerrillas either shot at or hit an aircraft bringing deputies to Kabul from the north-eastern province of Badakhshan for the gathering.

Alert in Kabul

Western diplomats said Russian and Afghan troops were patrolling the streets of Kabul in force, and that Khad secret police were reported to have brought in extra agents from the provinces.

They said the Jirga, the first since Mr Karmal was installed in power during the 1979 Soviet military intervention, might aim to win tribal support for an escalation of the six-year war against the guerrillas.

Moscow has an estimated 115,000 troops in Afghanistan.

The diplomats said there were few guerrilla attacks in Kabul itself last week, but several Mujahideen leaders based in Pakistan have threatened to put the 1,350 delegates on a "hit list" for eventual killing.

Mr Karmal addressed a mass rally in Kabul on Saturday to stir up support for the Jirga. He coined the slogan "forward with the iron fist and will" to crush the alleged foreign interference, by which he meant the Islamic insurgents and their alleged Western supporters.

'Jirga and charade'

"There has been a massive outpouring of regime propaganda on the Jirga, but few observers regard it as anything more than a charade," said one diplomat.

She noted the convention was officially announced on April 12, and that elections for the 1,350 seats began the next day.

"This haste has led some to speculate that the Jirga may be laying the public relations groundwork for a major Soviet push against the resistance forces."

The Mujahideen, led by Ahmad Shah Massoud, have launched punishing raids on Russian convoys from the Panjshir Valley, strategically located near Soviet supply routes north of Kabul. Several large-scale Russian offensives have failed to clear the area.

70 cavilians die

The Russians and Afghan troops killed 70 civilians in Paghman area on April 13. The guerrillas hit back last Wednesday when they fired 20 rockets at Bagram, the main Soviet air and military base in Afghanistan, just north of Kabul.

Soon after the attack eight Russian helicopters took off from the base to pursue the attackers and bombed villages in the area. No information was available on damage or casualties.

Reports from Kabul said seven rockets or mortars hit the Soviet base at the old Bala Hissar fort last Thursday, and there were rumours that a Russian woman was stabbed and possibly killed while shopping in central Kabul last week.

Several Communist convoys were attacked last week at Charikar, near the mouth of the Panjshir Valley, and in the valley itself. Guerrillas reported that they shot down two Russian helicopters bombing south of the Salang Pass around April 14.

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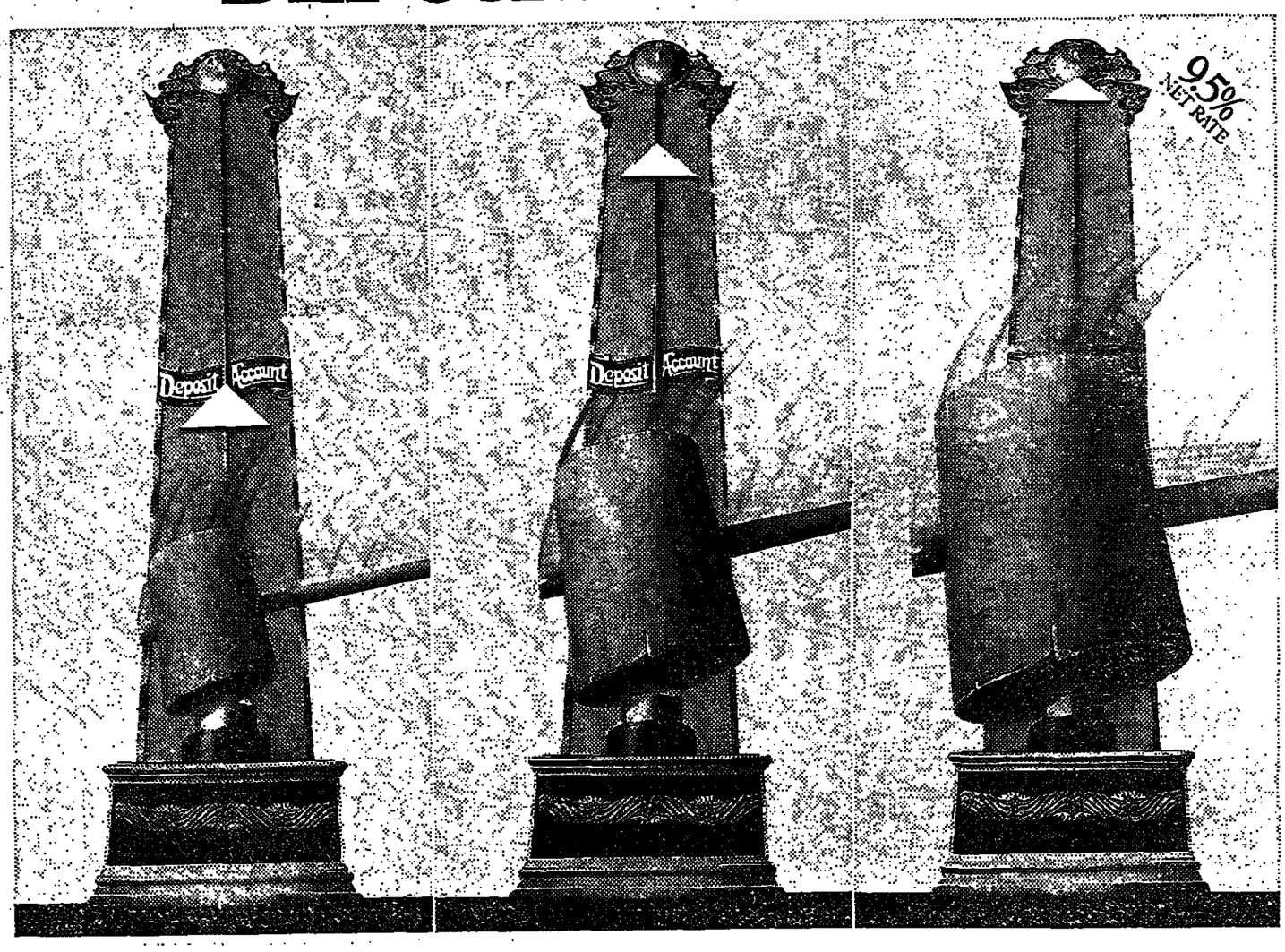

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MOSCOW CALLS REAGAN CLAIM 'PROVOCATIVE'

By NIGEL WADE in Moscow

Moscow yesterday rejected as "absurd" and "provocative" President Reagan's claim that Russian advisers were helping Nicaraguan troops.

The military newspaper RED STAR said the accusation was worthy of the Nazi propagandist Dr Goebbels.

PRAVDA said Mr Reagan's charge that Soviet servicemen had been discovered in the north of Nicaragua in the zone of fighting between Nicaraguan government troops and Contra rebels was "totally unfounded."

Rally marks opening of Argentine trial

By CRISTINA BONASEGNA in Buenos Aires

MORE than 40,000 Argentines marched through Buenos Aires on Monday evening to mark the opening of the trial of nine former military leaders on charges of illegally arresting, torturing and killing thousands of people in Argentina under the former régime.

The rally was called by Argentina's eight major human rights groups.

Slogans and banners demanded "trial and punishment," for all military officers guilty of mass human rights violations.

Police sealed off the courthouse area in a tight security operation to avert provocation from military supporters, but no incidents were reported.

The long-awaited public phase of the hearing began when the six Federal Appeals Court judges in charge of the case took their seats in the wood-panelled chamber and former Argentine provisional President Italo Luder, was called to testify by the defence.

But Senor Luder dealt a blow to the defence strategy when he denied his Peronist Government ousted by the military regime in 1976, had approved of illegal methods to crush Left-wing terrorism that rocked the country in the 1970s.

A presidential committee concluded last year after a nine-month investigation that 8,960 people disappeared under the military government and that most of them had been at one or more of the 340 secret detention camps the armed forces ran in the country.

The defendants, who did not appear in court, include former Presidents Jorge Midela, Roberto Viola and Leopoldo Galtieri, who is under arrest in a court martial investigating the ill-fated invasion of the Falkland Islands in 1982. They face sentences of up to 25 years in jail if they are found guilty.

EMOTIONAL FAREWELL TO NEVES

By RICHARD HOUSE

BRAZIL yesterday bade formal farewell to President-elect Tancredo Neves after hundreds of thousands had accompanied his funeral cortege in scenes of emotion.

A formal requiem Mass in the Brazilian presidential palace was attended by five heads of State and 40 foreign delegations. It was presided over by Brazil's Archbishop and a special delegate from the Pope in Rome.

In messages of condolence, foreign governments observed that though he had never taken office Senhor Neves had played a crucial rolein Brazil's transition to civilian rule. Some called him "a martyr to democracy."

Open coffin

Britain was represented by Baroness Young, Foreign Office Minister of State, while the Queen sent a funeral wreath.

During the night thousands filed past the open coffin of Senhor Neves, lying in state in the presidential palace.

On Monday, a crowd estimated at one million had overwhelmed official protocol to accompany Senor Neves's coffin from San Paulo Hospital, where he died on Sunday, to the airport. Then, he was flown to Brazilia with an escort of Air Force fighters.

HEROIN CHARGE

By Our Madrid Correspondent

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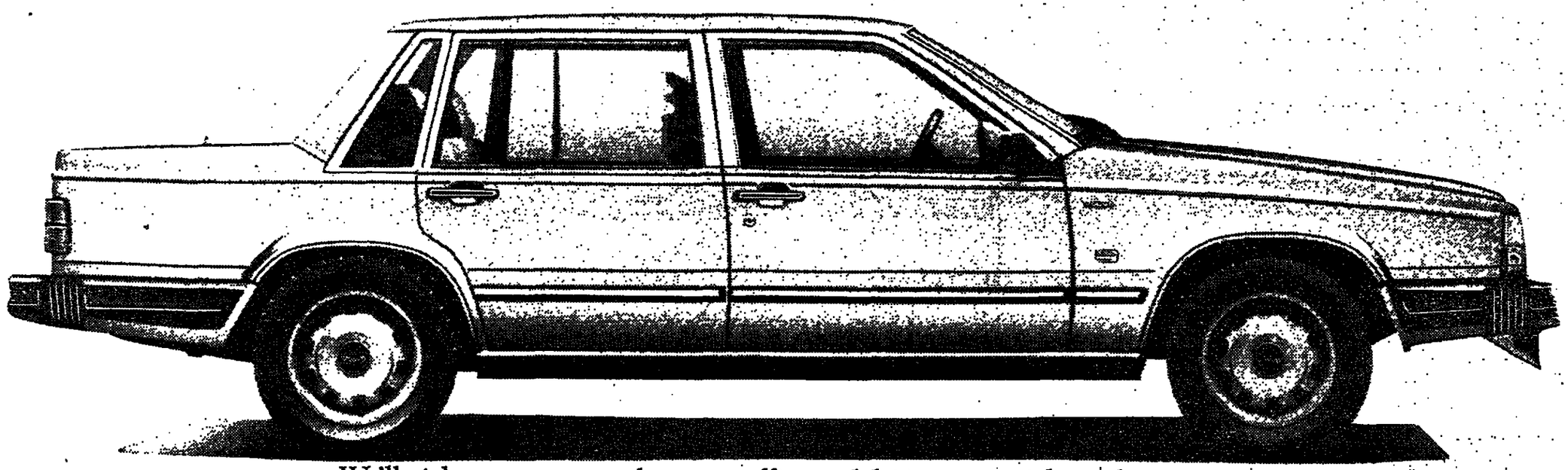

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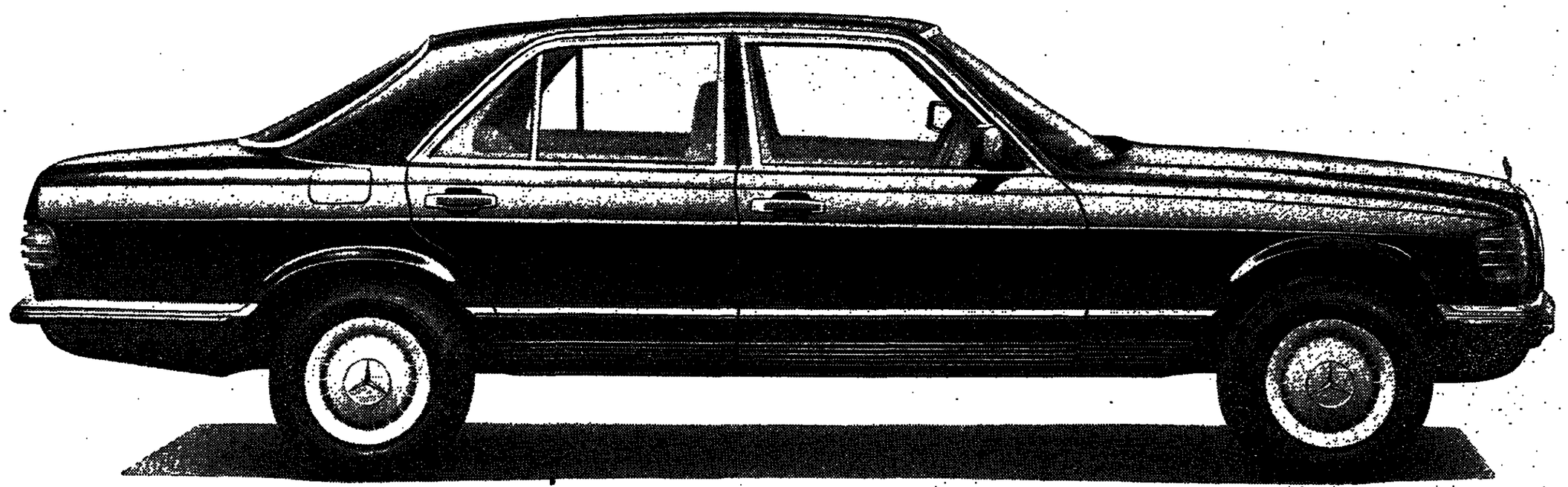

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JUDGE PRAISES WOMAN WHO RESISTED SAVAGE ATTACK IN STREET

By HEATHER MILLS Old Bailey Correspondent

A WOMAN BARRISTER who fought off an attacker in Flood Street, Chelsea, was praised for her courage and quick thinking by Judge JOHN HAZAN Q C, at the Old Bailey yesterday.

He said that Mrs LISA SPRY-LEVERTON, 35, a partner in a firm of international lawyers, suffered "a truly terrifying ordeal," but distracted the man by saying he could drive her car.

ABDEL AZIZ ECHOUAFNI, 25, a professional footballer in Morocco, was jailed for five years after being found guilty of assault.

Mrs Spry-Leverton, of Portland Road, Holland Park, said after the case that she had tricked Echoufni into driving her car, thus gaining enough time to fall out of the car and scream for help.

She had this advice for attack victims: "Always keep your head. It is essential that you do not panic because, in any case keeping my mind saved my life."

Now campaigning for a series of changes in court treatment of attack victims, Mrs Spry-Leverton said that for months after the attack she could not sleep and only now — eight months later — is beginning to lead a normal life again.

"I was not traumatised. If I was now too afraid to go out alone at night then that would then be a defeat for me and a victory for him," she said.

Of Echouafni she said: "To me he is representative of the potential violence of men against women. Personally he means nothing to me. I do not feel vindictive. I think he is sick and disturbed."

She wants to see changes in court procedures to lessen the impact of the victim's ordeal, including not necessarily having to come face to face with the attacker in court.

A jury of five men and seven women took over four hours to acquit Echouafni of attempted murder.

The judge told him: "Your counsel rightly described this as a cruel and violent attack.

"You are a fit young sportsman, a professional footballer, who savagely attacked an innocent and defenceless woman as she was getting into her car to drive home after an evening with a friend at the cinema.

"You hit her about the face and head several times, bruising her and completely closing one eye. You then put your finger in her throat and when she bit you even that did not stop you, because you then applied severe pressure on her neck by squeezing it.

"The ferocious struggle in the car was borne out by her torn and bloodstained clothing."

The judge said that when Mrs Spry-Leverton struggled to get out of the car she was bruised on her hips and thighs and Echouafni put his hands around her throat again.

Mrs Spry-Leverton was in hospital for five days as a result of the attack.

In the witness box a tearful Mrs Spry-Leverton said she offered to let herself be raped because she thought it would be better than dying. "Take me, I'll be quiet," she had said.

Passer-by praised

The judge praised Mr Ralph Rolls, a student, of Cheyne Walk, Chelsea, who ran at the attacker. Mr Rolls was awarded £100.

The judge said: "It is gratifying to know that the age of chivalry is not dead in this country, and that, instead of turning a blind eye and a deaf ear to the cries of a woman in distress, Mr Rolls ran towards the defendant.

"Through no fault of his, the defendant made good his escape."

At the time of the attack, Echouafni was on a visit to London, staying with his sister in Chelsea Manor Court, Chelsea. He had been due to fly home the day before police traced him.

Barrister Mrs Lisa Spry-Leverton after she had been praised by the Old Bailey judge for fighting off her Arab assailant.

VIDEO PIRATE JAILED

ALVIN HUSSEIN was fined £4,000 and jailed for five months by Harrow magistrates yesterday, for infringing video copyrights.

Hussein, 35, now unemployed, of Avondale Road, Wealdstone, was also ordered to pay compensation totalling £2,780 to the Federation Against Copyright Theft and £100 legal costs.

The court ordered forfeiture of 42 video machines, more than 1,260 tapes and a genuine copy of an Indian film "Bhavna," all of which were seized from a Harrow house on Dec. 4 last year.

Similar offences

Mr MARK HASLAM, prosecuting, said Hussein had previous convictions for similar offences including one in Birmingham in November last year for five offences on which he was fined £500 on each and sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment, suspended for two years.

Three months of yesterday's prison sentence was part of that suspended sentence.

Hussein pleaded guilty to two summonses alleging infringement of the Copyright Act.

Mr Haslam said that when police and federation investigators visited Hussein's house they found a plant for duplicating video cassettes and 39 copies of the Indian film were being processed at the time they entered the house.

150 JOBS LOST

Raleigh Industries of Nottingham has announced another 150 redundancies as part of its restructuring programme.

80,000 pupils on the Pill, claims Mrs Gillick

By Dr K. C. HUTCHIN Medical Consultant

AT LEAST 80,000 schoolgirls are on the Pill according to Mrs Victoria Gillick, whose Court of Appeal case victory has prevented doctors prescribing oral contraceptives to girls under 15 without their parents' consent.

Mrs Gillick was speaking at a meeting in London yesterday arranged by the British Housewives' League.

She said that according to Government statistics only 8,000 under-age girls were on oral contraceptives in 1976.

By 1983 these figures had doubled but patients' ages were not given on forms completed by G Ps so these figures could not be accurate.

Mrs Gillick said that teenage promiscuity and delinquency was not a problem confined to the West.

Evidence from among the indigenous population of Africa suggested that over the past 20 years the same pattern of family breakdowns and adolescent problems had occurred there.

The propaganda of the "new morality" in the 1960s had debauched the poor and vulnerable leaving them prey to commercial and sexual exploitation.

With the advent of hormonal contraception and abortion by private birth control agencies in the 1960s, the hippocratic tradition among doctors had been broken. The ethics of the medical profession had been effectively hijacked.

Speaking earlier at the meeting, Dr Ellen Grant, whose book "The Bitter Pill," will be published soon, said that in the past 25 years there had been an unprecedented increase in cervical and breast cancer, food and chemical allergies and mental illness among young women.

At least six studies had confirmed that starting the Pill before a first full-time pregnancy carried the greatest risk of developing cancer—the most common cause of death in women under 55.

Because of the well-known risks of cancer, foetal abnormalities and thrombosis, some countries, including Russia and Japan, refused to allow the use of the Pill.

Premature ageing

Dr Grant said that when hormones were used the changes to cells, blood vessels and immune systems were so concentrated that illnesses normally common among the elderly were precipitated among the young and healthy.

Steriod hormones could cause premature ageing changes in bones and blood cells and young women taking so called low-dose oral contraceptives underwent changes increasing the chances of developing cancer or of having babies with Downs Syndrome.

Nevertheless it should be stressed that oral contraceptives containing low dosages of oestrogen are considered safe by the Committee on Safety on Drugs of the Department of Health and Social Security.

Pensioner serves writ on police chief

A PENSIONER served a writ on the Chief Constable of Hampshire, Mr John Duke, yesterday, in a final attempt to clear her name, seven years after being convicted at Southampton Crown Court of grievous bodily harm and unlawfully wounding her former fiancé.

Mrs Jean Stevens, 61, of Brockenhust, claims she did not cut her ex-fiance's finger with a knife after a domestic quarrel.

She says that after prosecution evidence at her trial the judge informed her defence that a "not guilty" plea would mean that she would end up in prison.

Mrs Stevens says that after one-and-a-half hours of pressure from her legal advisers, she "in effect committed perjury" and pleaded guilty. She received a suspended 12-month sentence and two years probation.

Cross-checking statements

But two years later, in August, 1980, Mrs Stevens says she discovered fresh evidence. She claims that her ex-fiancé had visited friends after the knife incident, with no trace of a cut finger, before going to the police.

Mrs Stevens spent three months cross-checking statements and transcripts of her trial, and claims that this shows she could not have committed the offences.

The High Court writ against the Chief Constable claims compensation for damage and loss caused by the alleged negligence and breach of duty by the police in the investigation and prosecution. The writ was accepted by a police officer at the door of the Hampshire police headquarters in Winchester.

NO DPP MOVES IN MURDER CASE

Hampshire police said yesterday that the Director of Public Prosecutions is to "take no further proceedings against any other person at this time" in the case of Mr Michael Robertson, an IBM executive murdered at Hayling Island last October.

Timothy Funge-Smith, 41, the dead man's gardener, was jailed for life last March after admitting murder. He had claimed he was persuaded to commit the crime.

FALL FROM CAR KILLED WOMAN

THE mystery surrounding the death of a Nottingham shop assistant, Deborah Parr, who died after falling from a car, remains unsolved, a jury at a Loughborough inquest decided yesterday.

Miss Parr, 23, of Woodhedge Drive, Mapperley, died after falling from her boy friend's car on the A6 near Hathern after a fancy dress party.

Her boy friend, Mr Richard Swinscoe, 28, an aircraft engineer, said they had been to a birthday celebration and left shortly after midnight. As they made their way home, Miss Parr, dressed as a French maid, complained he had been dancing with another woman.

Mr Swinscoe admitted he threatened to make her walk if she did not stop moaning. But he strongly denied allegations that he had pushed her in any way to make her leave the car.

He saw her open the door and he told her to put her foot back in, but the incident turned to tragedy when seconds later she disappeared from view.

Mr Swinscoe ran back up the A6 to find her and in a blind panic, he bundled her body back into the car and returned to the party.

A pathologist's report revealed that Miss Parr died almost instantly of severe head injuries. She had nearly three times the usual limit of alcohol in her blood. The jury recorded an open verdict.

PERJURY CLAIM

By Our Crime Correspondent

Allegations that Mr Clive Ponting, the civil servant who was cleared of the Belgrano secrets leak charge, committed perjury during his Old Bailey trial have been dropped by the Director of Public Prosecutions, Sir Thomas Hetherington.

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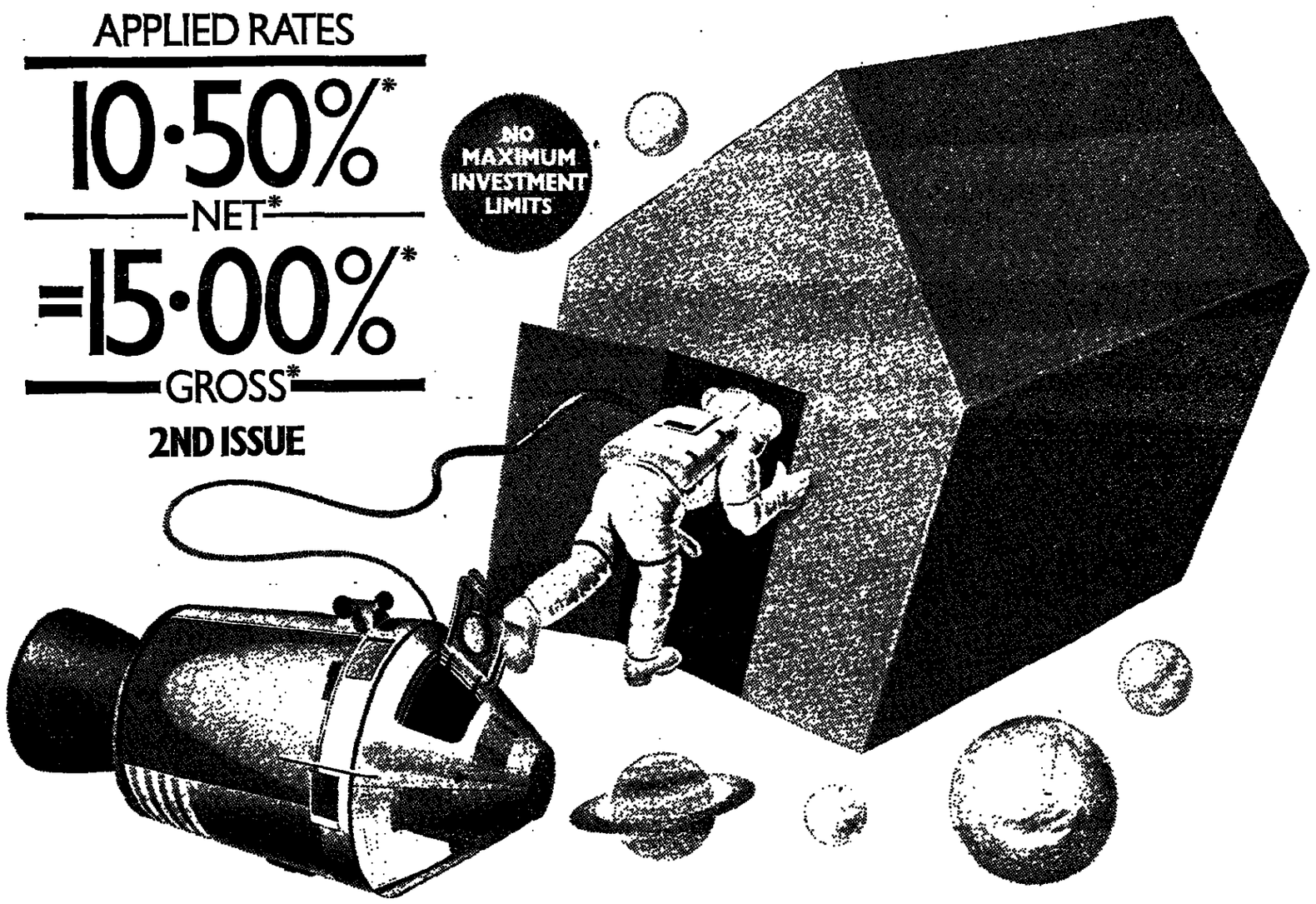

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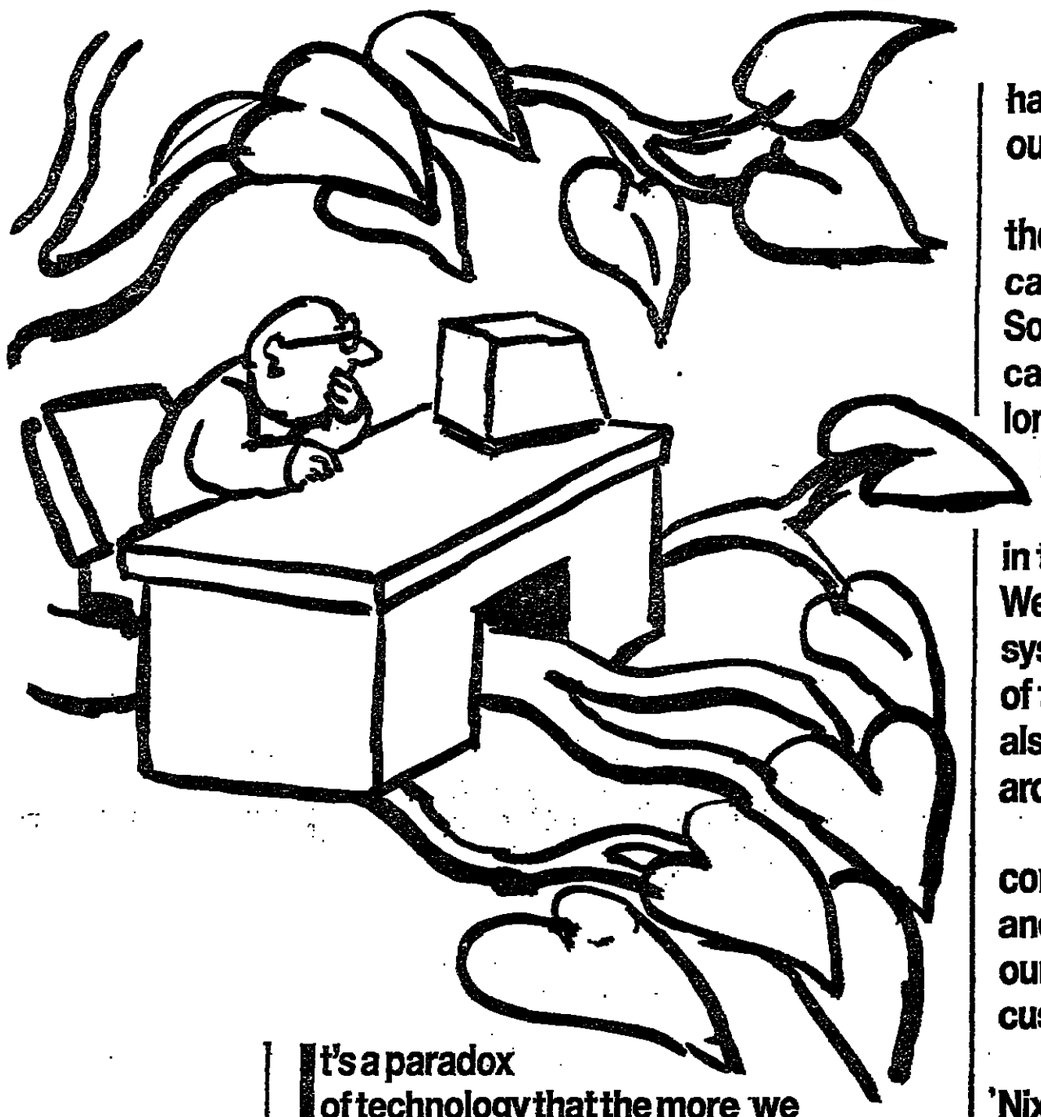

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GLC-BACKED GROUP WAS UNFAIR TO WHITE WOMAN

A G L C-funded organisation specialising in female sexual problems was ordered yesterday to pay £250 compensation for racial discrimination against a white woman.

The Women's Reproduction Information Centre, which has been supported by the G L C Women's Committee since it was founded in 1983, advertised for a part-time advice worker, but seriously considered only black women, a London industrial tribunal was told.

Mr DAVID SEVNE, chairman of the tribunal, said American-born LORRIEN FINLEY, 37, was "clearly discriminated against" contrary to the Race Relations Act.

But, he added, it was not thought she would have got the job even if she had been short-listed and the compensation was for injury to her feelings.

After the hearing the complainant whose case was brought by the Commission for Racial Equality, said she was disappointed with the amount.

'Social club'

"I feel I deserved the job. The G L C set up that sector to deal with reproductive rights. They are not doing that.

"They are running some sort of social club there. They do a lot of talking but not much else," she said.

Glynis Donovan, for the centre, said afterwards: "We have changed our procedure."

Miss Finley, of Gaisford Street, Kentish Town, was not short-listed or interviewed for the post which eventually went to a black woman. A letter rejecting her application said it had been decided "to short-list women of ethnic origin only."

Margaret Berer, an information officer and bookkeeper at the centre in Featherstone Street, Islington, told the hearing that she first met Miss Finley a month before she applied for the job.

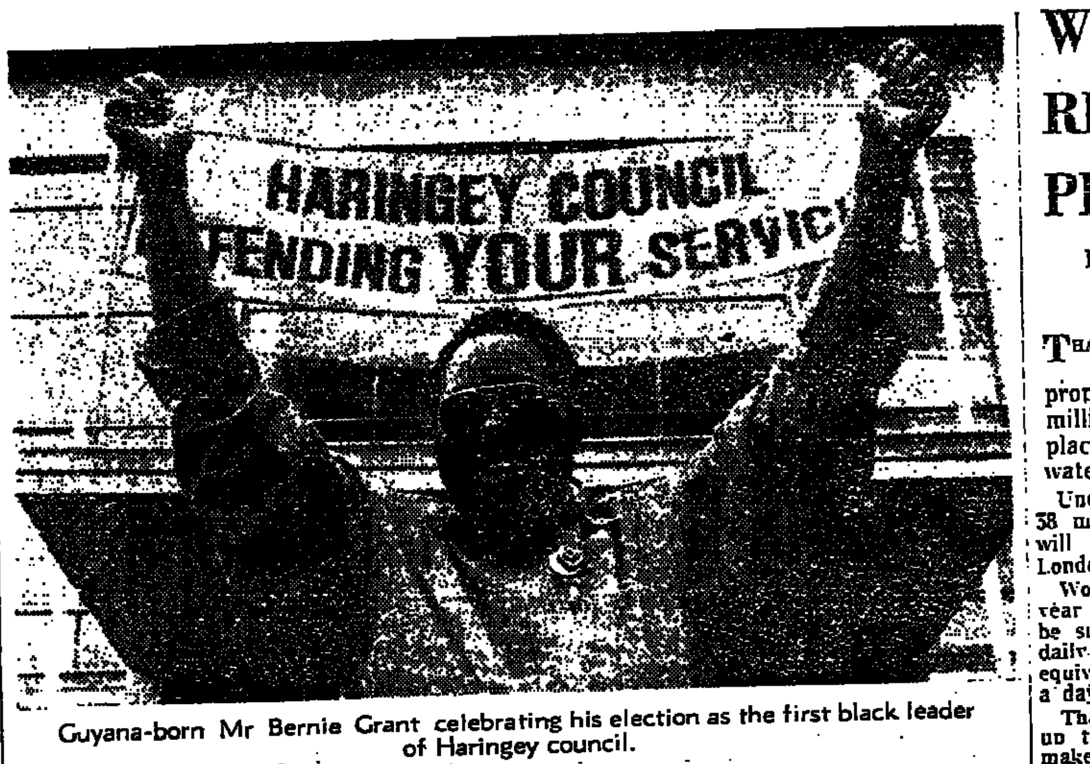
As a result of the meeting, when Miss Finley's application arrived she advised her colleagues that she would not be suitable and she was not considered for the post.

'Being kind'

All the white women who were not short-listed were told it was on ethnic grounds because "we wanted to try to find a way not to make them feel they were not good enough. It was a way of being kind to them."

Miss Finley said that when she telephoned the centre to see if she had been shortlisted she was told they "needed the image of a black face."

She added: "A remark like that is racist. I am opposed to racism. I realised how painful it is for black people discriminated against the anger, frustration and helplessness that no matter what you are or what you do it just goes by the wayside."



Guyana-born Mr Bernie Grant celebrating his election as the first black leader of Haringey council.

First Black council leader

By DAVID MILLWARD

MR BERNIE GRANT, Britain's first black council leader, took up office yesterday at the Labour-controlled London Borough of Haringey.

The election of Guyana-born Mr Grant will strengthen his challenge to Mr Norman Atkinson for the Labour nomination to stand in the safe Labour seat of Tottenham at the General Election.

Mr Grant has made clear that he will be pursuing the nomination for a seat which Labour held with a 9,396 majority.

He is a founder member of the Labour party "Black sections" organisation and chairman of Tottenham Labour party's own section, established in defiance of the national executive's wishes.

At last year's Labour party conference, which rejected calls for the establishment of separate black sections, he claimed that Blacks were not a priority of the party or the trade union movement.

Haringey, where nearly a quarter of the population is Black, has several West Indian and Asian councillors.

Mr Grant, 41, a member of Tottenham Labour party for ten years, gained a reputation as an active trade union official especially with the National Union of Public Employees and an active campaigner against racialism.

He arrived in England in 1963 and in the late 1960s dropped out of his mining course at Heriot Watt University in protest at the exclusion of Black students from mining scholarships run by the universiy in South Africa.

He is seen as being on the "Livingstone Left" of the party and stressed yesterday that Haringey Council was committed to fighting discrimination against ethnic minorities, homosexuals, pensioners and the disabled.

He added that he would be keen for Haringey to establish links with Cyprus, the West Indies and the Asian sub-continent—the source of much of its population.

On Monday night Haringey, through an alliance of Conservatives and moderate Labour councillors, agreed to set a legal rate.

HEAD ASSAULTED GIRL OF 10

Philip Parkin, 39, headmaster at Westbury-on-Severn Junior School, Gloucestershire, indecently assaulted a 10-year old girl in the female changing rooms of a swimming pool and later exposed himself to girls at a theatre, Insp. Philip Cluly told Tewkesbury magistrates yesterday.

Parkin, of Parkwood Crescent, Gloucester, who has since lost his job, admitted both charges and was given a six-month jail sentence suspended for two years and fined £200.

WATER RING MAIN PLANNED

By JOHN GRIGSBY Local Government Correspondent

THAMES WATER AUTHORITY yesterday announced proposals to build a £175 million ring main to replace London's ageing water system.

Under the new project, nearly 38 miles of new water mains will be placed round central London.

Work is due to start next year and by 1992 the main will be supplying half of London's daily water demands, the equivalent of 120 million baths a day.

Thames says that patching up the old system no longer makes economic sense and the new scheme will save £150 million over the next 20 to 40 years.

The authority, which has already said that it intends to levy increases in charges below the level of inflation, says that it can raise the cost of the new system from water rates

Mr Kenneth West, managing director of the authority, said: "This is as exciting a development for the water industry

The plan proposes nearly 60 kilometres of 2½-metre diameter gravity-fed circular ring main placed at a depth of 30 to 50 metres below ground level.

PROTESTS HALT GRAVEL SCHEME

A gravel extraction scheme by Tarmac Roadstone has been halted because of opposition from villagers.

The company already has workings on the outskirts of Maxey, near Peterborough, Cambridgeshire, but villagers claimed that the latest application to excavate a further 115 acres would virtually turn the village into an island surrounded by water-filled pits.

Bosses' earnings rise 10·6pc

By ROLAND GRIBBEN Business Correspondent

INCREASES in earnings for managers and directors last year were well ahead of the national average, with more firms paying bonuses out of higher profits according to a survey published yesterday.

The survey also said that more big pay rises are in prospect this year.

Average earnings for both groups rose by 10·6 per cent, with managers' income up by 10·4 per cent. and directors' by 11·6 per cent.

Basic pay before bonuses for managers increased by 9·6 per cent. to an average of £16,982 while directors' salaries rose by 11·5 per cent. to £35,160.

The survey, produced by Remuneration Economics in association with the British Institute of Management is one of the most comprehensive of its kind and is based on earnings of 19,203 executives in 540 companies.

After taking tax, national insurance contributions and inflation into account, managers and directors were better off by 5·1 per cent. against 2·8 per cent. for the average male manual worker.

Mr Roy Close, recently retired director-general of the institute, said: "For the first time in many years managers' net real pay has improved at a beter rate than national earnings. To a large extent this reflects the increased profitability of many companies."

Over 43 per cent. of managers got bonuses averaging £1,486 while 41 per cent. of directors averaged £5,548 in extra payments.

Directors' bonuses have increased in cash terms by almost two thirds over the last two years and now account for 14·5 per cent. of their income.

National Management Salary Survey, Remuneration Economics, 51 Portland Road, Kingston upon Thames, £110 for survey, £70 for review or £150 for both.

DEATHS; IN MEMORIAM

Continued from Back Page

PAYNE.—On April 20, 1985, in hospital, FRANCES MARY, of New Milton, Hants, dearly loved wife of John and mother of Stephen and James. Service at Bournemouth Crematorium on Wednesday, May 1, at 3.15 p.m. Flowers to Moody's F.D., 59, Old Milton Road, New Milton.

PETTITT.—On April 19, 1985, peacefully in Worthing Hospital, ROBERT HECTOR GRIFFITH, aged 74 years, much loved father of Deirdre. Inquiries to S. A. Dunford Funeral Service, tel. Lancing 753160.

PIPE.—On April 21, 1985, in hospital, JOHN EDGAR PIPE, of Burtenshaw's, Ditchling, Sussex, aged 72, beloved husband of Joan, dear father of Susan, Michael and David, and loving grandpa to Giles, Katharine and Niel, late of the Chartered Bank. Funeral service at St Margaret's Church, Ditchling, on Monday, April 29, at 2 p.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, please. Donations if desired to Renal Services Fund, c/o Dr J. A. P. Trafford, Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton. Any inquiries to Frank Davey & Co. 0273 832179.

POOLE.—On April 21, in hospital, DOROTHY THERESA, aged 85 years, dearly beloved mother of Valerie. Private burial. No flowers, please, by request.

PRALL.—On April 22, peacefully at her home in Hythe, Hants, MURIEL, aged 92, widow of GERRARD and much loved mother of Lorna, Jean and Geoffrey, also a most loved grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral at Southampton Crematorium on Wednesday, May 1, at 2 p.m. East Chapel. No flowers, by request.

PRICE.—On April 20, peacefully in hospital, WILLIAM HENRY, of Minchenden Lodge, N.14, formerly of Mayfair Avenue, Worcester Park, Surrey. Funeral at New Southgate Crematorium, N.14, on Friday, April 26, at 12 noon. Sadly missed by Brian, Valerie, David and Lisa.

QUIRK.—On April 22, in Stuart, Florida, ELEANOR, widow of Gerald Bulding, mother of Toby, Ian, Robin and Gail.

RATCLIFFE-SMALL.—On April 22, AGNES, died peacefully with great dignity. Sadly missed by Jane and her daughter Peggy, beloved Amma, of Sarah, Nicola, David and Jonathan. Service Chichester Crematorium, Monday, April 29, at 2 p.m. Flowers to Edward White & Son.

RAYNER. — On April 22, after a short illness, RUBY OLIVE, aged 73, beloved wife of Edgar. Funeral on Monday, April 29, at the Cemetery Chapel, Church Street, Edmonton, at 2 p.m.

REDGATE. — On April 21, 1985, suddenly at his home, Lostock, Bolton, GEOFFREY WILLIAM REDGATE, M.B.E., B.A., Med., Dip.Ed., T.Dip., T.Cert. of the Deaf, Chairman Bolton District Health Authority, aged 60 years, the dearly loved husband of Betty, loving and loved father of Elizabeth, Robert and Catherine. The funeral will take place on Friday, April 26, at Bolton Parish Church, at 2.45 p.m. prior to committal at Overdale Crematorium at 3.30 p.m. Family flowers only, but donations may be made in lieu of flowers. All inquiries to Walsh Funeral Service, 584, Darwen Road, Bromley Cross, Bolton, tel. Bolton 55367.

RENWICK. — On April 22, 1985, at Chacombe House, Chacombe, near Banbury, VERA CRUTCHFIELD (Gar), of Deddington, aged 89 years, much loved and devoted wife of the late MAURICE RENWICK. Funeral Friday, April 26, the service at Deddington Church, 2.30 p.m., followed by cremation at Oxford. No flowers, please. Donations, if desired, to Deddington Church Restoration Fund, c/o Innisfree, St Thomas Street, Deddington, Oxford.

RICHARDSON. — On April 21, 1985, suddenly after a short illness, IVY, formerly of Hassocks, Sussex, aged 84 years. The funeral service will be held at the Kettering Crematorium on Monday, April 29, at 11.15 a.m. No flowers, by request. All inquiries, please, to the Rosemount Funeral Home, Co-operative Funeral Service, Strode Road, Wellingborough, tel. 227147.

RUDGARD. — On April 19, suddenly at home, Canon RICHARD CUTHBERT RUDGARD, O.B.E., formerly Archdeacon of Basingstoke beloved husband of Maisie and father of Bryan. Cremation private. Service of thanksgiving at Christ Church, Winchester, on Tuesday, April 30, at 2.30 p.m. No flowers. Donations if desired to the Melanesian Mission, 2, Harpsden Way, Henley-on-Thames, Oxon.

SALMON.—On April 22, 1985, peacefully, BRYAN, dearly loved husband of Beth, father of Richard and Nigel, and Papa to Victoria, Charlotte and Tom. Cremation at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium Friday, April 26, at 12.30 p.m. Cut flowers to W. Hodges & Co., Sevenoaks, or donations to the British Heart Foundation.

SANDISON.—On April 22, 1985, in hospital at Perth, ALEXANDER LILLIE SANDISON, in his 85th year, of Drumuillt, Blair Atholl, formerly of Monsanto, London, dear husband of Mollie, son of the late Mr and Mrs Alexander Sandison, Inverness. Service on Friday, April 26, at 11 a.m. in the Royal Northern Infirmary Chapel, Inverness, thereafter to Tomnahurich Cemetery. All friends respectfully invited.

SAVILLE-SNEATH. — On April 22, MICHAEL, beloved son of Caren and Christopher and brother of Tony. Inquiries Cobham 62009.

SCOTT.—On April 20, 1985, peacefully, ERNEST JAMES SCOTT O.B.E., M.C., (Scottie), aged 88, will be greatly missed by Geoff, Jean, Debbie and Tracy. Funeral at St Andrew's Church, Totteridge Village, N.20, on Wednesday May 1, at 4 p.m. All inquiries to Hayes & English, 125, Bowes Road, N.13, tel. 01-888 4018.

SHEEHAN.—On April 21, EILEEN, formerly of Belsize Park Gardens and Lambolle Road, Hampstead. Cremation at Golders Green, Friday, April 26, 10.10 a.m. Family flowers only.

SHCMILT.—On Thursday, April 18, H. R. (Reggie) SHCMILT, passed away suddenly but peacefully. Funeral private. No flowers, by request, but donations to British Heart Foundation Appeal, may be sent to A. & W. Goddard Ltd., Kent Road, Fleet, Hants.

SHEPHERD.—On April 18, 1985, at Cane Hill Hospital, Coulsdon, Surrey, HELEN GERTRUDE, aged 94 years. Cremation at Croydon Crematorium, Mitcham Road, Croydon, Surrey on Friday, April 26, at 2.15 p.m. Flowers to J. E. Gillman, funeral directors, 971 975, Garratt Lane, Tooting, SW17.

SHIVAS.—On April 20 at Seaton Sluice, Whitley Bay, after a long illness courageously borne, EDITH M., wife of the late Frederick, much loved by her family and a devoted and beloved aunt. Service in St Paul's Church, Seaton Sluice, on Friday, April 26, at 11 a.m., followed by interment at Whitley Bay Cemetery. Friends please meet at the church. Family flowers only. Donations if liked to Arthritis and Rheumatism Council.

SIMMONS.—On April 20, after a long illness, borne with great fortitude, "Alf," beloved husband of Hilda and father of Susan, 88, Brentwood Road, Ingrave, Essex, served with unstinted devotion for 28 years on the Technical Committee of the International Cadet Class, including 17 years official treasurer, regarded with affection by thousands of cadets. No flowers, by his request: donations to St Francis Hospice, Havering, Atte Bower, Essex.

SMITH.—On April 22, 1985, suddenly, DENNIS of Amersham, formerly of Glasgow (S.E.T.S.) and Malaya (Telecoms Department), beloved husband of Pat (née Oakeshott) and father of Virginia Kingston. Funeral 2 p.m., April 30, at Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham.

SRINIVASAN.—On April 20, Mr A. SRINIVASAN, M.A., C.Chem., M.R.S.C., of Epsom. Funeral private. Family flowers only.

STANLEY.—On April 19, 1985, in Bournemouth, JOHN CHARLES, late of Manchester. Inquiries to George Scott & Son (Funeral Directors) Ltd, tel. Bournemouth (0202) 55827.

STEWART.—On April 19, 1985, peacefully, DOROTHY ROSE, aged 89 years, wife of the late Ernest and dearly loved mother of Babs. Service at Bournemouth Crematorium, on Wednesday, May 1, at 12 noon. Flowers to Moody's F/D, 59, Old Milton Road, New Milton, Hants.

STEWART. — On April 21, in hospital in Cheltenham, MURIEL ALICE, beloved wife of John. Funeral private.

STOBIE.—On Sunday, April 21, WILLIAM DOUGLAS KEMP, from a heart attack whilst on a sponsored walk. He will be sadly missed by his wife Pearl and his children Rosemary, Ian and Fiona. Service on Thursday, April 25, at 12 noon, at St Peter and St Paul's Church, Chacombe, near Banbury, Oxfordshire. Private family cremation will follow. No wreaths, but flowers may be sent to J. & M. Humphris, Albert Street, Banbury, by 10 a.m., on Thursday, April 25, or donations to any heart or cancer charity.

SULLIVAN.—On April 23, peacefully in hospital, 3 days after her 66th birthday, INIS EVELYN, dear wife of Nelson, mother of Roger and Martin, mother-in-law of Mo and Diane, grandmother of Emma and Matthew. Dearly missed. Requiem Mass, 10 a.m., St Dunstan's, Woking, Monday, April 29, followed by cremation, St John's Crematorium, Woking. No flowers. Donations either to Cancer Research or St Luke's Hospital, Guildford.

SYME.—On April 20, 1985, ELSIE WINIFRED SYME, L.R.A.M., of 2, Page Green Road, Tonbridge, aged 92. Music Teacher at Tonbridge School and various schools, ninth daughter of the late W. H. Syme, F.R.I.B.A., of Park House, Watford. Cremation at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium, Monday, April 29, at 3 p.m. Flowers, please, to R. & F. Groombridge, Tonbridge 353964.

SYMINGTON.—On April 22, 1985, peacefully after a long illness, courageously borne, FRANCES MAY, greatly loved wife of Courtenay. Service at the Downs Crematorium, Bear Road, Brighton, on Monday, April 29, at 3.30 p.m. Flowers may be sent to Hanningtons, 4/6, Montefiore Road, Hove, or donations if preferred to the Tarner Home, Tilbury Place, Brighton.

WAKEFORD.—On April 21, 1985, at Rowcroft Hospice, Torquay, PHYLLIS (née Tupni), beloved wife of the late SIDNEY JULIAN WAKEFORD, cherished mother of Anthony and Patricia, darling Ga-ga to Paul and Tracie and twin babies Julian and Christian, and dearly loved twin sister of Marjorie. Cremation service at Torquay on Friday, April 26, at 3.30 p.m. Only family flowers, but if desired donations to Rowcroft Hospice, Avenue Road, Torquay, please.

WALKER.—On April 21, 1985, peacefully in Selsey, WINIFRED, aged 7[illegible] years, beloved wife of Leslie, she will be sadly missed by all. Service to take place at Chichester Crematorium on Friday, April 26, at 2 p.m. Family flowers only but donations to Arthritis and Rheumatism Council, Chichester Branch, 35, Willowbed Drive, Chichester.

WATSON.—On April 22, 1985, peacefully in hospital, DOREEN WATSON, aged 63 years, of the White House, Church Lane, Gawsworth, Macclesfield, dearly beloved wife of George, treasured mother of Elizabeth. Funeral Monday, April 29. Service and committal at Macclesfield Crematorium at 2 p.m. Inquiries to Hooley & Watson, funeral directors, 7, James Street, Macclesfield. Tel. Macclesfield 22754.

WEBSTER.—On April 23, at the West Norwich Hospital, WILLIAM, aged 80 years, late of Hemel Hempstead, Herts, husband of the late Betty, loving father and grandfather. Service and cremation at St Faith's Crematorium on Friday, April 26, at 3 p.m. Flowers to Co-operative Chapel of Rest, Norwich.

WEST. — On April 22, suddenly at home, Sqn Ldr PETER WEST, R.A.F. (Retd), of Hill Cottage, Taddiport, Torrington, Devon, a beloved husband, father and grandfather. Funeral service North Devon Crematorium, Barnstaple, on Monday, April 29, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only, but if desired donations in his memory to the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund may be sent to S. J. Dafforn, funeral director, 72, New Street, Torrington, North Devon.

WHITE.—On April 20, suddenly, VIVIAN ANTHONY, of Oak Cottage, Easterton, loving husband, father and grandfather. Funeral Easterton Church, 2.30 p.m., Friday, April 26. Family flowers only.

WILD.—On April 16, KATHLEEN MARGUERITE, of Hatherley Court Road, Cheltenham, in her 88th year. The funeral service will take place at Cheltenham Crematorium Chapel on Thursday, April 25, at 2 p.m.

WILLIAMS.—On April 20, 1985, at Dun Esk, Teignmouth, Devon, peacefully after a long illness, ROSE MARJORIE, widow of ALBERT H. WILLIAMS and dearly loved mother of Sheila and Sandy and loving grandmother of her grandchildren. Family funeral and family flowers only.

WILLIAMS. — On April 20, in a Worthing nursing home, VIOLET MAY, sadly missed by all her family. Service at Worthing Crematorium on Friday, April 26, at 3.45 p.m. Inquiries and flowers to H. D. Tribe Ltd., 130, Broadwater Road, Worthing, tel. 34516.

WILLIAMSON.—On April 22, 1985, LOUISE, peacefully at Puttenham Hill Nursing Home. Funeral Guildford Crematorium, Friday, April 26, at 12.30 p.m. No flowers, please. Donations in her memory to Royal National Institute for the Blind.

WILSON.—On April 21, 1985, peacefully in hospital, KATHLEEN, in her 80th year, of Hawthorn Road, Worthing, and formerly of Marston Green, beloved wife of Will, much loved mother of Roger and grandmother of Charlotte. Sadly missed by her daughter-in-law, Ingrid, also by Christopher and Nigel. Service on Monday, April 29, at Worthing Crematorium; 3 p.m. Flowers may be sent to H. D. Tribe Ltd., 130, Broadwater Road, Worthing 34516.

WYATT. — On Sunday, April 21, 1985, ELSIE, widow of Frank, of Walberton, Sussex, beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral on Monday, April 29, at Parkside Evangelical Church, Littlehampton, at 2 p.m. Interment at Walberton. Family flowers only. Donations to Gideons.

YONGE.—On April 21, suddenly in a road accident, ANDREW CHARLES, of Ashcombe, Yealmpton, South Devon, beloved son of Mary and Richard, twin brother of Tim. Funeral service at Holy Cross Church, Newton Ferrers, on Friday, April 26, at 11.30 a.m. Flowers may be sent to the funeral director, Allan James, Sandaway Court, Brixton, to arrive before 10 a.m. Friday, or if preferred donations may be sent to R.N.L.I., c/o the Secretary, Mrs M. Andrews, Hillcrest, Court Road, Newton Ferrers.

YORKE-MOORE. — On April 19, 1985, peacefully, in Christchurch Hospital, THOMAS PHILIP (Squadron Leader, retd., ex-Royal Navy), of Avon Lodge, Southbourne, Bournemouth, dearly loved father of Patrick and Bridgett, and grandfather of Justin, Matthew, Adrian, Greg and Fiona, deeply mourned. Funeral service on Tuesday, April 30, at 9.30 a.m. at Bournemouth Crematorium. Family flowers only, but donations in his memory for R.A.F. Benevolent Fund may be sent to Norris and Gillett, solicitors, 194, Seabourne Road, Bournemouth.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

FINNIGAN. — ELISE THRELFALL wishes to express her most sincere and grateful thanks to all cousins, friends, neighbours and many colleagues of JOHN'S for all the many kind expressions of sympathy, letters and cards and for all the beautiful flowers received in her recent sudden and sad loss. A very special thank you is extended to the Rev. David Johnson and to the doctors and staff of Ward 10, Bradford Royal Infirmary, for all their kindness, care and help which has been so much appreciated and will always be remembered with gratitude. 655, Leeds Road, Thackley, Bradford.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

SANDERS. — There will be a Memorial Service for the late TERENCE SANDERS, C.B., D.L., T.D., at the Chapel of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, on Friday, May 10, 1985, at 2.30 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

BEARD.—Remembering BEARD, Sqn Ldr. S. J., who died a year ago today. A true son of England.

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COLVILLE.—To the memory of my dearest husband CLAUDE. Two years have passed. So sadly missed.—Anne.

EDWARDS. — Remembering with love my dear wife, LILIAN, on her Birthday today.—Maurice.

GARDEN, I.H., Lacock, Wiltshire. Dec. 17, 1961-April 25, 1982. — Darling JEREMY, we love and miss you so.—The Family.

HOWARD, DOROTHY (Nona). — Deeply loved and sadly missed Mother. Forever in our thoughts and prayers.

HUMPHREY. — Always in my thoughts, dear HARRY. So sadly missed, especially at Easter time.—Your Alice.

MacDOUGALL. — April 24, 1981. In loving and everlasting memory of darling Ian.—Sarah.

PERRY, FREDERICK. — April 24, 1960, in Nairobi. Dearest Son and Brother, remembered every day.

ROBERTS, DOROTHY.—Another year without your lovely presence commences, darling. Precious memories and constant love remain.—Robbie.

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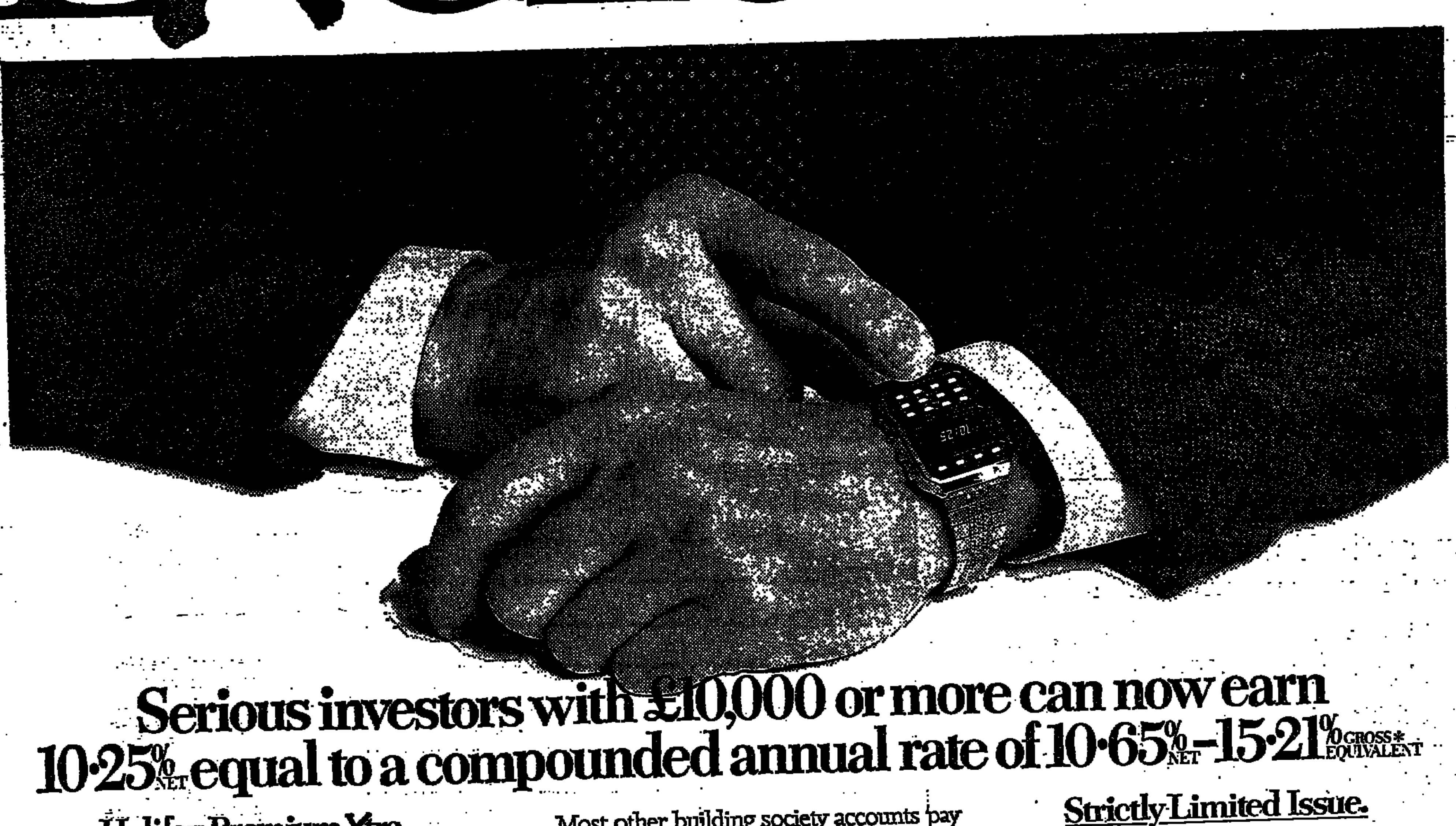

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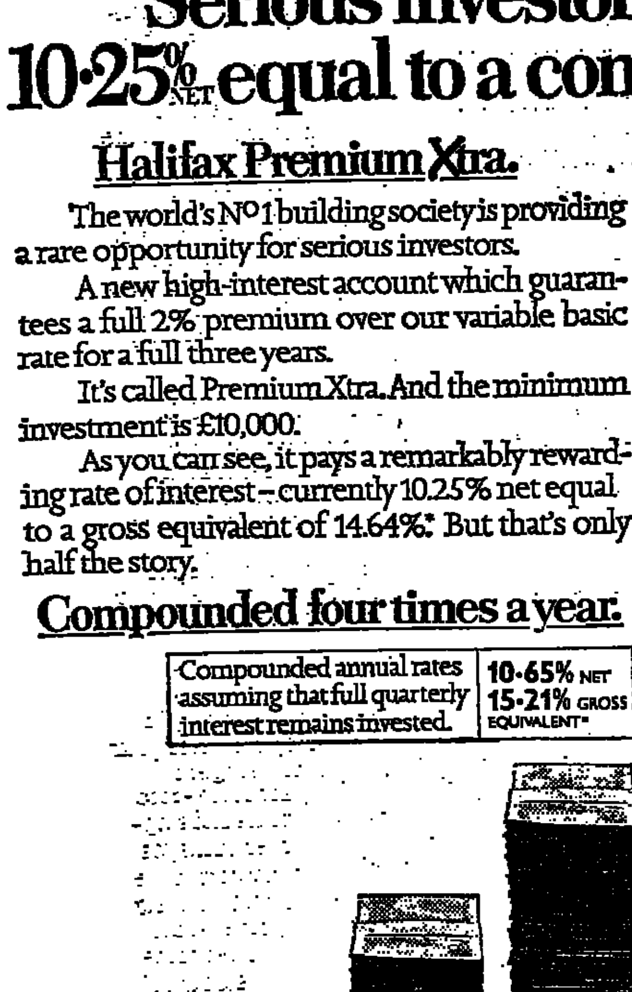

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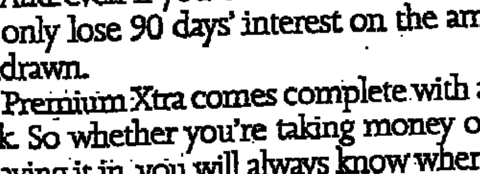

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CLEARER LAW URGED ON FAMILY CASH

By TERENCE SHAW Legal Correspondent

CLEARER non-discriminatory rules governing the transfer of money between husband and wife and the ownership of goods and property bought with the money were proposed yesterday by the Law Commission.

It suggests that a proposed new code of rules should apply where the husband and wife had not made any different agreement of their own.

If a husband gives a housekeeping allowance to his wife any savings she makes from it and anything bought with the savings belongs, under the provisions of the Married Women's Property Act 1964, to both in equal shares.

The law says nothing, however, about the ownership of the allowance itself or things bought for housekeeping. Nor does it cover any allowance made by a wife to her husband, although it would appear from court decisions dating from the last century that the money belongs to the husband alone.

Social changes

If the money is transferred for other purposes, its ownership usually depends on whether the payer intended to make it a gift.

But if the husband pays for property which is put in his wife's name it is usually presumed he intended a gift, whereas if the wife paid for property in her husband's name, it is usually presumed she did not intend any gift and the property will belong to her.

Since the Married Women's Property Act was passed 21 years ago, there have been many social and legal changes in marriage and matrimonial property law, says the commission.

Pooled money

Its review of whether, in England and Wales, the Act is still suitable for conditions in 1985 coincides with a Bill now before Parliament which would repeal the Act in Scotland and replace it with new rules proposed by the Scottish Law Commission.

In its working paper proposals for changes to the law in England and Wales, the Law Commission suggests that the 1964 Act should be amended so that it applies equally to a husband and wife.

This would mean that money made available by one spouse for the other for their joint purposes, including money pooled between them, would belong to them both equally. But money or property made available by one spouse for the sole purpose of the other would belong to the spouse who received it unless there was evidence that no gift was intended.

The commission says it hopes that its proposals, which would apply where couples had not made any agreement of their own, will reflect what most couples would expect the law to be.

It is seeking comment and criticism of its working paper proposals before drawing up final recommendations and draft Parliament legislation for enactment by Parliament.

Unmarried couples living together would not be covered by the proposals.

500,000 SUFFER FROM EYE DISEASE

By Our Medical Consultant

Glaucoma, a progressive disease of the eyes, probably affects half a million people in Britain, many of whom are unaware of it. One in eight blind people in Britain owe their condition solely or partly to the disease.

A national glaucoma action week was inaugurated in London by Mr Ronald Crick, an eye surgeon who is chairman of the International Glaucoma Society.

About half of those who suffer from glaucoma have it in the cronic form. Of these 100,000 are patients while the rest, as yet undiagnosed, are suffering from a deterioration of sight either without being aware of it or believing that it is due to the effect of age and that nothing can be done about it.

BUS RAIL LINK

By Our Business Correspondent

London buses will start a new hourly all-night seven-day-a-week service from Saturday linking Paddington, Victoria, Waterloo, Euston and King's Cross stations.

Petrol station 'banks' plan by BP

By ROLAND GRIBBEN Business Correspondent

BRITISH PETROLEUM is considering plans to enable garages to act as "banks" and even sell stocks and shares as part of a programme to build on petrol sales.

Mr John Hawkshaw, marketing director of BP Oil, said yesterday: "The idea of offering motorists a range of financial services at petrol stations is an exciting one."

BP and National, its sister company, operate 2,600 sites and 26 of them in Scotland are currently equipped with facilities that mean bank accounts can be directly debited when drivers buy petrol.

Drivers who are customers of the Clydesdale and Midland banks can also draw up to £50 from the garage. "It has been very successful," said BP.

In-house bank

BP has started its own in-house bank to manage its finances more effectively and this could provide the basis for extending financial services.

All the big oil companies are studying ideas to make greater use of their garage sites. Current developments include sales of groceries.

BP Oil has caused a furore in the licensing trade with moves to sell alcoholic drinks at some sites. So far about 15 garages are involved.

There are over 21,000 petrol outlets in Britain and although the number is falling at the rate of 1,000 a year, companies are anxious to turn the biggest of them into supermarket type operations.

WYE SALMON NETTING SUSPENDED

The Welsh Water Authority has suspended Wye salmon netting operations at Chepstow, Gwent, in a desperate attempt to improve the chances for fish moving up-river to spawn.

The total catch from the Wye, one of the premier salmon rivers, has dropped from 9,533 fish in 1972 to 1,732 last year. About a quarter of last year's catch was taken by netsmen in the estuary.

Mr Gareth Edwards, the former Welsh rugby international who is now the authority's fishing specialist, said that Wye salmon bought in £1 million a year in tourist and fishing revenue, and they must be protected.

Littlecote, the Wiltshire home of Sir Seton Wills, which has been bought for £2½ million by Mr Peter De Savary—who spent more than twice that on an unsuccessful attempt to win the America's Cup for Britain in 1983.

Family on benefit hire a Rolls-Royce to court

By GEORGE TURNBULL

THE McDougall family, who spend their £200-a-week State benefits living in luxury hotels, have hired a Rolls-Royce to take them to Liverpool, where they are suing the city council for £5,000.

They have booked into an £80-a-night penthouse suite at the Atlantic Tower Hotel overlooking the Mersey for the hearing at Liverpool High Court on Monday.

Mr Tony Ostrin, the family's solicitor, said they were seeking damages in excess of £5,000 under the Housing Act for the council's failure to maintain their former home to "a decent standard." He said they had been granted legal aid.

The McDougalls were allocated a council house in Fazackerley some years ago but when they returned from visiting a sick relative they claim they found that doors and windows had been boarded up by the council and their possessions taken away.

Cancer victim

The Rolls-Royce, hired for about £60, will take Mrs Theresa McDougall, 73, a cancer victim, and her sons Robert, 46, and Michael 30, both unemployed, on the trip from their present home in Blackpool.

The McDougall's lifestyle came to light last month when they walked out of a suite at the Britannia Adelphi in Liverpool claiming conditions were unsatisfactory.

The family had negotiated a special rate for their two-bedroom suite which normally costs about £60 a night. This was more than covered by their State benefits comprising £57 a week board and lodging allowance and £10 a week pocket money.

They left after three weeks saying their stay had been marred by noisy workmen and the attitude of chambermaids. They moved to Blackpool to a £45-a-week flat, but must leave next month to make way for holidaymakers.

Mr Robert McDougall said yesterday: "My mother is dying from cancer and has recently spent a fortnight in hospital.

"She needs the room and comfort that a Rolls provides and the cost is roughly the same as hiring a mini-coach. It is not extravagant. I tried to obtain an ambulance and I even tried the Red Cross without success."

He said: "It is essential that we attend this court hearing against Liverpool City Council.

A D H S S spokesman said yesterday that the level of payments to the McDougalls had been checked and were correct.

"We cannot breath down their necks saying 'This is silly or extravagant.' There is a certain amount of freedom about what they do with the benefits to which hey are entitled."

£2m WILL

Brig. Sir Richard Anstruther-Gough-Calthorpe, of Elvetham Farm House, Hartley Wintney, Hants., who owned estates in London and Birmingham, left £2,080,795 net (£2,084,525 gross) in his will published yesterday. He died in February, aged 76. The bulk of his property goes to his teenage grandson, Euan.

Latest Wills—P16

£80m TO RESTORE CANAL

AN £80 million plan to restore the most run-down section of the Leeds-Liverpool canal will involve 300 schemes to turn canal-side dereliction into thriving industrial, commercial and recreational developments.

Lancashire Enterprises, the county council's job creation company which is putting a package together for an appeal for cash aid from the E E C's regional fund, said yesterday that a series of surveys showed that unemployment in the drell of the 70-mile section between the Fouridge Tunnel in the Pennines to the mouth of the Mersey averaged twice the national average.

Mr David Taylor, the company's deputy managing director, said: "It is the biggest scheme of its kind attempted in the country and should fit into the E E C pattern of helping schemes with a strong employment content rather than just an environmental one."

A much more ambitious plan, a £7 million restoration of the 22-acre weaver's triangle in the heart of neighbouring Burnley, the most significant collection of early Victorian mills in the country, may soon follow.

Tunnel opened

Britain's first new canal tunnel for more than 100 years—the 60-yard-long, £300,000 tunnel into the heart of mine workings, beneath Dudley, in the West Midlands, was officially opened by Mr Neil Macfarlane, Environment Under-Secretary yesterday.

NATURE CANAL

Two miles of the Cromford Canal is to become a nature reserve run by the Derbyshire Naturalist Trust. The stretch, near Ambergate, was last used by barges 40 years ago.

Inquiry to resolve dilemma over BP oil drilling plan

By ROBERT BEDLOW Estates Correspondent

THE Government is preparing to hold a public inquiry into proposals by BP to drill for oil at Furzey Island, in Poole Harbour, Dorset, an area designated as of special scientific interest and of outstanding beauty.

Last week the county council's planning sub-committee gave the go-ahead to BP for "appraisal" wells.

But yesterday Lord Gibson, chairman of the National Trust, said: "The Government must decide whether they need oil from the proposed wells, or conserve a part of our heritage.

"We as conservationists can only point out the damage that drilling will cause. The Government must decide what is best in the interest of the nation."

Lord Gibson added: "Following a public inquiry, if the decision goes against BP, we will be prepared to buy Furzey Island and protect it for the nation.

'Unspoilt shores'

"It is essential, however, that the Government and not the Dorset County Council make the decision."

Lord Gibson was relaunching the trust's appeal to save unspoilt coastline for the nation, code-named Enterprise Neptune.

Prince Philip, who launched the original appeal 20 years ago, said: "The pressures on our coast have significantly increased and the threat of damage or unsuitable developments to the remaining 450 miles of wild, unspoilt shores is even more immediate today than it was in 1964.

"There is, therefore, an urgent need to revive Enterprise Neptune so as to add to the other half of the original target of 900 miles the guaranteed care and protection which the National Trust is in a position to provide."

The original scheme was launched when a survey showed that of 3,000 miles of coastline only about 900 miles remained that were worth saving.

Since the original launch more than £7 million has been raised, with £4 million from gifts and legacies from National Trust members; just over £1 million from the Government; £750,000 from local authorities; £600,000 from charitable trusts and £480,000 from businesses.

Lord Gibson said that the proposed BP drilling site includes the Dorset Heritage Coastline, the Purbeck area of outstanding natural beauty, and significant wader and wild fowl populations.

The land involved in the drilling extends from Osmington, near Weymouth, to the shores of Poole Habour. The coast there adjoins two nature reserves covering more than 2,000 acres, which include Studland Heath, owned by the trust, and the 1,300-acre reserve held by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds.

Menai acquisition

Yesterday the trust announced the acquisition of more than 300 acres of land in the Vaynol Park, on the mainland side of the Menai Strait in North Wales. This includes 1½ miles of coastline, some of which is opposite Plas Newydd, the historic house on Anglesey already owned by the Trust.

It means that an important stretch of the strait is now protected on both sides, and one of the finest views in Britain, Snowdonia from Plas Newydd, is safeguarded.

The purchase has been grant-aided by the Government's "watch-dog" committees—the Countryside Commission and the National Heritage Memorial Fund.

Lord Gibson said that the trust was looking for about £1 million a year to continue its work in protecting the coastline.

To mark the relaunch, the National Trust is asking for volunteer students to help bring up to date the coastal survey carried out in 1963.

GRAFFITI ATTACK

Windows were found smashed yesterday at the Cambridge University Union Society building and anti-nuclear graffiti had been daubed in red paint on the walls. Mr Heseltine, Defence Secretary, is to appear in a Union Society debate about nuclear weapons next week.

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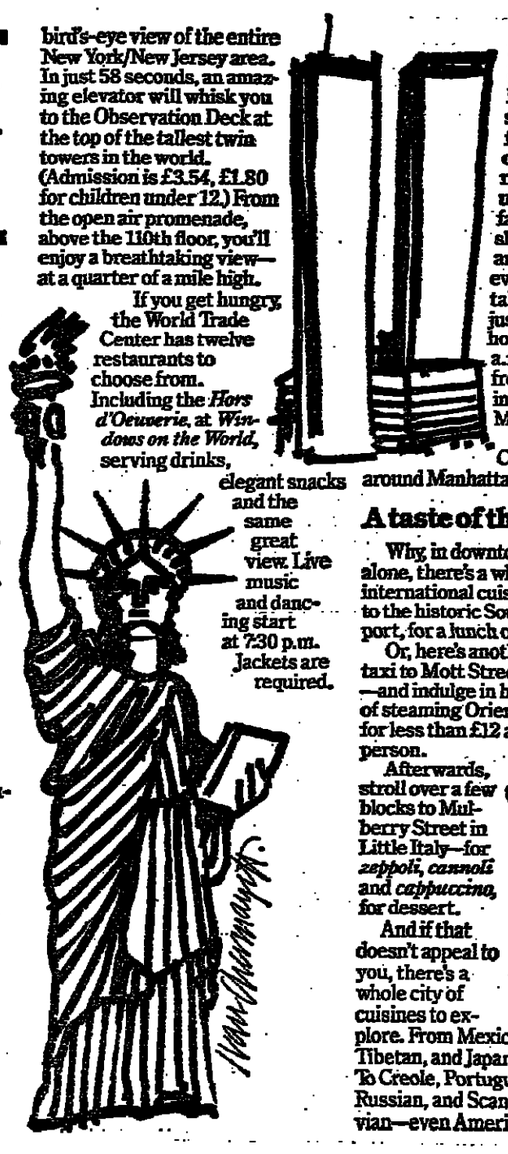

If you get hungry, the World Trade Center has twelve restaurants to choose from. Including the *Hors d'Oeuvrerie*, at *Windows on the World*, serving drinks, elegant snacks and the same great view. Live music and dancing start at 7:30 p.m. Jackets are required.

As you sip your drinks, look south into the harbor, and you'll see a familiar face—the Statue of Liberty. Currently, she's undergoing a facelift. But there she stands, as tall and as proud as ever. Ferry boats take you to her for just £2.40. Every hour from 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. from Battery Park in lower Manhattan.

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And if that doesn't appeal to you, there's a whole city of cuisines to explore. From Mexican, Tibetan, and Japanese. To Creole, Portuguese, Russian, and Scandinavian—even American.

Symbol of a city

New York City is famous for its many skyscrapers—but perhaps most famous for the Empire State Building. Once the tallest building in the world, it still remains a beacon of "the city of dreams." The Observation Deck opens every day at 9:30 a.m. and closes at 11:00 p.m. Admission is just £3.30—£1.80 for children under 12. Try to get there early.

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A block or two west of the Empire State Building are two of New York's most famous stores: *Macy's* and *Gimbel's*. Stop in.

Then take a stroll up Fifth Avenue, past the classic windows of *B. Altman* and *Lord & Taylor*. (Up at 42nd Street, say hello to *Patience* and *Fortitude*—the famous lions that guard the New York Public Library.)

Saks Fifth Avenue is at 49th Street—just across from Rockefeller Center, where you can catch your breath and maybe some lunch—surrounded by lush gardens and glittering skyscrapers. Farther uptown are *Cartier, Gucci, Steuben Glass, Tiffany's*—and *Bergdorf Goodman*, just across from Central Park, where horse-drawn carriages stand ready for hire.

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A trip to New York wouldn't be complete without taking in a Broadway show. Purchase tickets at the box office or through ticket brokers in the Times Square Area. Or, on the day of the performance, you can get *half-price* tickets at the TKTS office, at 46th & Broadway. It opens at 3:00 p.m. daily for evening performances, noon for matinees—but get there an hour earlier for best choice of shows.

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Yesterday in Parliament

KING REFUSES TO MAKE UNIONS BALLOT BY POST

By WILLIAM WEEKES and ANTHONY LOOCH

MR KING, Employment Secretary, resisted demands in the Commons yesterday for compulsory postal ballots within the trade unions in all elections of officials and on the questions of the political levy and strikes.

He said that, though the new requirements introduced by the Government paved the way for postal ballots on the widest possible basis, properly conducted work-place ballots often achieved a far higher percentage of union members voting.

The Employment Secretary pointed out that if the High Court found there had been irregularities or malpractices in the conduct of a workplace ballot, it had a duty to order a re-run of the election through a full postal ballot unless such a procedure was plainly inappropriate.

Dr OWEN, Leader of the Social Democrats, said when he opened the debate on behalf of the Alliance that the unions should have a fully open and democratic mechanism to enable the commonsense of their members to be expressed.

"What has happened in the Transport and General Workers' election for a general secretary is, I fear, only the tip of a particularly ugly iceberg."

The debate, which was limited to about three hours, started nearly an hour late because of a row about where Dr Owen was to speak from.

A cascade of Points of Order, with Labour hugely indignant because Dr Owen tried to speak from the Opposition Front Bench when Labour MPs occupied his customary seat below the gangway, ended in the House being suspended for 16 minutes.

Special safeguards

Dr OWEN moved a resolution calling on the Government to amend the 1984 Trade Union Act to ensure that, unless it was impossible in a particular case, all strike ballots, political fund ballots and elections for trade union executive committees should be held on the basis of full secret postal voting conducted by independent returning officers and scrutineers.

He said anyone who advocated fair elections in trade unions would be accused of being anti-trade union, but this was untrue.

Many people of different political persuasions believed in the need for unions, for collective action by their members, and for them to be given special safeguards in law.

If trade unions were to be given such privileges and protection, it was right that they should have in their procedures a fully open and democratic mechanism to enable the commonsense and judgment of their members to be expressed.

'Too much temptation'

"What has happened in the Transport and General Workers' election for a general secretary is, I fear, only the tip of a particularly ugly iceberg," said Dr Owen.

"It is putting too much temptation in the way of a trade unionist with strong views, to ask them to organise an election."

Dr Owen said the 1984 Employment Act was not fulfilling the expectations of the Employment Secretary, Mr King, who had said when he introduced it that the law should protect the whole community, including unionists, from abuse of industrial power.

The view was now held that arrangements for trade union ballots left a great deal to be desired, and that there was a gap in the Government's trade union legislation.

The situation regarding workplace elections was causing anxiety to some of the Government's own backbenchers.

Dr OWEN: Arrangements for union ballots leave a great deal to be desired.

Mr KING: Maximum opportunity to vote to the maximum number of people.

Unions had the choice between postal or workplace ballots, but only three unions at present had opted for the former.

Work place ballots could be abused through the number of ballot papers claimed for distribution. In the return of such papers, in the improper use of discarded papers, and through undue influence being exerted on the voters.

Act defended

Mr KING said the message from what had happened in the Transport and General Workers' Unions was that the Government was giving union members rights which they were prepared to use.

Defending the 1984 Trade Union Act, he said that from October anyone claiming that a ballot had failed to meet the standards laid down would be able to apply to an independent certification officer or a court for a declaration to that effect.

Mr King, emphasising the need for high standards of democracy in union elections, said properly organised workplace ballots tended to attract a high poll.

He contrasted a postal ballot by the Furniture Trades Union, with an 11 per cent response, with two miners' ballots which resulted in defeats for Mr Scargill and which achieved turnouts of 87 per cent and 93 per cent.

The Employment Secretary accepted that postal ballots could be the best solution if the overriding consideration was to avoid malpractices and intimidation. He also drew atention to the problems involved in organising such ballots.

"Democracy must be about giving the maximum opportunity to the maximum number of people to vote," Mr King said.

Mr JOHN PRESCOTT, the Shadow Employment Secretary, attacked Dr Owen's speech as "opportunist" and said he had offered no evidence to support his comments about the TGWU election.

The Government's legislation was not motivated by concern for good industrial relations but was designed to strengthen management.

"The next Labour government will reform this Tory anti-trade union legislation and put in its place a new Employment Protection Act which we are presently discussing with the trade union movement.

The Alilance motion was defeated by 374 votes to 25, a majority against of 349.

A Government amendment welcoming the success of its "step-by-step" approach to the reform of industrial relations law was carried by 224 votes to 167, a Government majority of 57.

NO PLEDGE FOR NURSES

By PETER PRYKE
Paliamentary Correspondent

MRS THATCHER defended the Government's record over the nurses in the Commons yesterday, but refused to make any promises about the outcome of the review of their pay she received yesterday.

Mr KINNOCK asked for an undertaking that she would support an award which would begin a return to the levels of real pay enjoyed by the nurses in 1980.

Mrs THATCHER replied that the review of nurses' pay conducted by Sir John Greenborough had been one of three she had received this week.

"We are considering them altogether," she added. "I cannot give undertakings in advance of appropriate consideration."

Noting that Mr Kinnock had used 1980, after the Conservatives had come to power, as a benchmark, she said that her Government had done "very much better by the nurses" than had Labour.

Proper reward

Mr KINNOCK asked for an assurance that Ministers would withdraw any warning that any deal over three per cent. would be financed by taking money from the rest of the National Health Service.

He said the 1980 level had been achieved because of the Clegg award, which the Prime Minister had opposed at one time.

"Do you agree that public expenditure should be used for justice and proper reward to those who obviopsly deserve such awards?

Mrs THATCHER said the Labour Government, not having the resources, had made empty promises but the Conservatives had honoured the Clegg award.

Her Government had reduced the working week for nurses and found resources for 57,000 extra nurses and midwives.

Teachers' hopes are dashed

SIR KEITH JOSEPH, Education Secretary, yesterday dashed any hopes of extra money from the Government to settle the teachers' pay dispute.

He rejected speculation that the teachers' employers had decided to ask the Government for more money, to improve the four per cent pay offer.

He conceded that the employers' had said in a statement that they wished to discuss with him "the basis upon which additional resources can be sought." but said this referred not to the pay claim but to a future scheme to link pay with performance.

The biggest teachers' union, the National Union of Teachers, has already withdrawn from talks about the Government's scheme to award merit pay based on assessment.

Sir Keith stressed that he would only be prepared to ask the Cabinet to approve more money to fund the scheme if both sides drew up arrangements which were both in the children's educational interests and affordable.

Today in Parliament

HOUSE OF LORDS

2.30: Debates on homelessness and bad housing; on Nato's need for a credible chemical deterrent; and on the need to improve "in lieu" tax provisions to save more of the cultural heritage.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

2.30: Debate on White Paper on Financial Services in the United Kingdom; Insurance (Fees) Bill, rming stages.

Home challenges to honour treaties with the West

By WALTER ABURN Parliamentary Staff

A CHALLENGE to the new Russian leadership to prove its desire for better relations with the West by honouring treaty commitments, was made by Lord HOME of the HIRSEL, former Tory Prime Minister, in the Lords yesterday.

In opening the debate he pointed to continuing Soviet exploitation of the "domino" theory to unsettle" some of its neighbours and its intervention in other countries' internal affairs.

The Soviet Union should be told that the difficulties in which it constantly placed the Western democracies would simply repeat the confrontation, friction and frustrations of the past 40 years.

"None of us want to see that," he said.

In 1971, as the then Foreign Secretary, Lord Home, expelled a record 105 Russians from Britain for spying.

In a reference to that experience he noted that subversion had been part of Communist ideology and Russian foreign policy together: on occasion, with military force in support of external political aims.

Not much harm

Commenting on the present tit-for-tat expulsions of diplomats in London and Moscow he said the Russians would always try to use diplomatic cover.

But, when caught, "as they always will be," they would be realistic and inflict minimum retaliation.

In his opinion the latest expulsions would have no effect whatever on Russian relations with Britain.

It was the sort of experience we had to endure every now and again but we would get through it without much harm.

He called on Mr Gorbachev, the new Soviet leader, to recognise that Nato would never countenance aggression against the Soviet Union or the Warsaw Pact countries but that, if attacked first, the alliance would defend itself and repel aggression.

With modern verification techniques the Russians could well remove some of their traditional forces which could well be the key to disarmament and arms control.

But mutual security relied not on technology but on the political will to coexist.

Breach of faith

Signatories to treaties had to honour obligations to which they put their names. Breaches of faith led to complete loss of trust and in the last 30 years almost everything in this field had gone wrong.

In the Helsinki accord Russian negotiators pledged to respect human rights and to refrain from any form of armed intervention against other participating states. But within wo years the Russian army and air force was in Afghanistan.

On any account that was a breach of faith and trust. Four million refugees were now in Pakistan which was how the domino theory worked.

Lord CLEDWYN of PENRHOS, Opposition leader in the Lords, welcomed Mr Gorbachev's apparently more realistic approach. A phased Russian withdrawal from Afghanistan would be a great step to reducing international tensions.

'Wicked' spending

In face of world hunger he condemned spending on nuclear weapons as wicked. Reducing arms spending by both sides by five per cent. would go a long way to resolve that problem.

Lord TREFGARNE, Armed Forces, Under-Secretary, acknowledged that super-power nuclear arsenals were enough to blow us all to kingdom come.

Britain had been active and vigorous in opening the dialogue with the Soviet Union in the past year but we could have no illusion the increased contact would change the nature of Communism.

The Bishop of ROCHESTER (Rt Rev Richard Say) said that improving relationships must be part of our policy and this included increased Government support for the B B C's Overseas Services.

Russians

Lord HOME: Nato will never attack the Soviet Union.

Lord ORR-EWING (C) named Mr James Lamond (Lab, Oldham Central & Royton) as the president of the British Peace Assembly, part of the Russian-backed World Peace Council.

"Until the Labour party list of proscribed organisations was abolished in 1973, it was impossible even to be a member of the Labour party if you belonged to the World Peace Council," he said.

"How different today, when deputy leader of the Labour group in Europe, Alfred Lomas (M E P) is a World Peace Council member. James Lamond, M P, is the British vice-president of the World Peace Council and at least four other Labour M Ps are members."

He said the British Peace Assembly "consistently attacks Nato and the United States at every opportunity while praising the Soviet initiatives in international affairs."

Earlier in the debate, Lord TREFGARNE said the World Peace Council was a senior Soviet "front" organisation operating in the West.

"These organisations operate in the West and purport to be independent, but in reality they are thinly disguised instruments of foreign policy."

He did not believe such organisations represented a threat with which the West could not cope.

Hated war

Lord SHINWELL, the centenarian and former War Secretary, said there were irreconcilable differences between the two world superpowers.

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The report forecast that by the next decade the demand can only be met by an increased capacity in the south-east, which means expanding Stansted Airport and building a fifth terminal at Heathrow.

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The diesel engine comes of age

DIESEL cars in Britain have so far been aimed primarily at the high-mileage business motorist who can quickly recover the extra cost of the diesel engine through its better fuel economy.

But a new diesel family car launched today should be just as interesting to the private motorist. At £4,550 for the well equipped standard model, the *diesel version of the Citroen* Visa five-door hatchback is not *only the cheapest diesel car on* the British market but is also *fully competitive with petrol-engined small cars.*

It is powered by the smooth and refined 1769 cc engine also used in the Peugeot 205 diesel (built, incidentally at a Citroen *engine factory—they are both,* of course, part of the same French group now) *giving a* performance comparable to that *of the more expensive petrol* engined Visa 14 TRS. Claimed *top speed is 94 mph,* with 0-60 mph acceleration in just over 15 second, *and it is capable of* around 50 mpg in everyday use.

The £4,550 price of the Visa 17D compares with £4,700 for the next cheapest model in Britain, the little Japanese *Daihatsu; £5,712 for the major* British competitor, Ford's Fiesta *diesel;* £5,720 for the Renault 9 diesel; £5,675 for the Talbot *Horizon diesel;* £6,438 for the Vauxhall Astra diesel and £6,772 for the latest version of the car that pioneered the popular small diesel, the Volkswagen Golf.

Initial price is only part of the cost equation, however. From the diesel operator's point of view, another encouraging development has been the higher prices being fetched by second-hand diesel cars.

Although sales of diesel cars *rose by 83 per cent. last month* (when the Peugeot 205 diesel *was the best seller) they still* represent only a small fraction *of total car sales.*

Diesels accounted for 46,116 *new car sales last year, representing* 2·64 per cent. of the *total — but this was an 85 per* cent. rise compared with 1983, *and they will obviously be much* higher again this year.

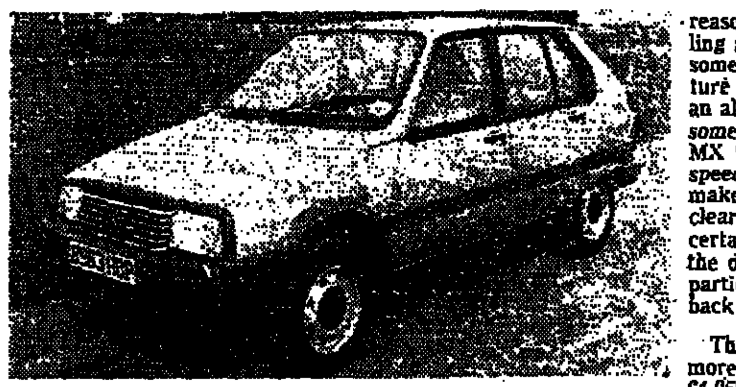
Compared with most of the European countries, sales are *still very small. This is usually* attributed to the generally lower cost of diesel fuel compared with petrol on the Con*tinent, as well as the innate* conservatism of the British motorist.

But Mr Tony Swainston, *managing director of* Lex Vehicle Leasing, suggested to me another reason *for the* comparative lack of poularity *of the diesel car in Britain.* As we are always being reminded, a high proportion of new cars in Britain are sold as "company cars."

"Company reps. and other company car drivers like to *have a new model at least every* other year. They like to have *a new car on the drive, regarding* it as a status symbol, so *they are not particularly* interested in having a car that *will go on and on, for three or* four years or more.

"This attitude is changing, and I expect diesels to become more popular, but it is a factor that has to be reckoned with." And of course, the typical company car driver is not too concerned about the size of his fuel bills, except for his private motoring.

Well, *at least the new Citroen* Visa diesel comes under the 1800 cc tax break point for company car drivers. And although Citroens in the past have had a reputation for costly servicing, this, too, seems to be changing—the company claims that the labour times involved in servicing the Visa diesel *over 60,000 miles are significantly less than its main competitors, including the Fiesta.*



Citroen Visa diesel

In most respects, the Visa diesel is a very satisfactory small family car. When idling, the typical diesel engine clatter is as prominent as ever, but at cruising speeds, most passengers would be unaware *that they were not being pulled* by petrol.

Although it has only a four speed gearbox (which was light and smooth *on the test car*), reasonably high gearing gives *quiet and easy high speed* cruising. The relatively big *engine develops its maximum* torque at a low, 2000 revs a minute, so it pulls very strongly from low speeds or up hills in top gear. Acceleration also feels quite brisk, and from a performance point of view. I would be happy to drive it anywhere.

The steering is precise and reasonably light and the handling and cornering good, despite some roll. The car's worst feature is road noise — there is an almost constant rumble, with *some thump from* the Michelin MX tyres o nsome surfaces. At *speed, this background noise* makes it difficult to hear speech clearly *on the radio, and is* certainly more intrusive than *the diesel engine. The fault was* particularly noticeable in the back seat.

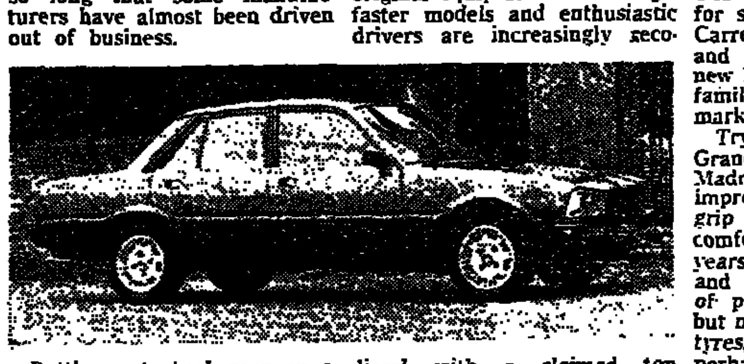
The version I tried was the more expensive 17RD model, at £4,950, with the additional benefits of halogen headlamps and split rear seats, which can be removed for carrying extra large loads. But even the standard model has such refinements as a rear wash/wipe system, locking fuel filler, headlamp height adjustment from the fascia, and a conventional clock with sweep second hand. It now even has self-cancelling indicators—a first for Citroen?

At the other end of the performance scale, Citroen is also launching a new, high performance version of the Visa. With a *fuel injected*, 1580 cc petrol engine developing 105 bhp, it has a claimed top speed of 117 mph, and 0-60 mph time *of 9 seconds, still with good fuel* economy.

At a projected price of just under £6,000 when it goes on sale in June it should have few rivals on a performance-per-£ basis. It is replacing the current carburettor engine Visa GT.

Getting a grip on new tyres

DRIVING a familiar car with a new set of tyres is one of the pleasures of motoring, even if paying for them can be painful. However, motorists have had a good deal from the competition between tyre companies in recent years. Technical developments like steel-belted radials have made tyres last so long that some manufacturers have almost been driven out of business.



Putting a turbocharger on a medium-size diesel engine gives even a larger car like the Peugeot 505 an acceptable performance with excellent fuel economy, but unfortunately it puts up the price. The latest 505 GTD Turbo is a luxury diesel with a claimed top speed of 104 mph. Except at low speeds, it is quiet and smooth, with a very comfortable interior and excellent ride and handling. The 35 mpg fuel economy should help to offset the relatively high price of £11,095.

The introduction of a growing number of sporting versions *of family cars like the Escort* XR3i, Golf GTi and Peugeot 205 GTi is now giving the more technically alert tyre companies a chance to recover some of their enormous investment. More manufacturers are specifying high-performance tyres as original equipment on their go-faster models and enthusiastic drivers are increasingly recognising the attractions of safer handling, braking and even durability.

For motorists *seeking the* best, Pirelli have just updated their 10-year-old P6 and *P7* tyres, already accounting for more than 40 per cent. of the performance tyres fitted as initial equipment in *Britain.* The new P700 range is intended for supercars like *the Porsche* Carrera, Renault Alpine V6 and BMW M635 *CSi but the* new P600 is aimed at the faster *family saloon and hatchback* market.

Trying them on the Jarama Grand Prix circuit outside Madrid *a few days ago I was* impressed not only by their *grip and handling but by their* comfort and refinement. A few *years ago, cars like the Escort* and Golf would have felt out *of place on a racing circuit,* but not any more. On the latest *tyres, they were in their way* perhaps even more impressive *than the supercars, which one* expects to show up well. Tyres *of this type are not cheap*—around £60 each for the P600, and probably *three times that* for the P700—but at least *you feel you are getting something* for the money.

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THE ARTS

OPERA / King Priam

Sharp visions

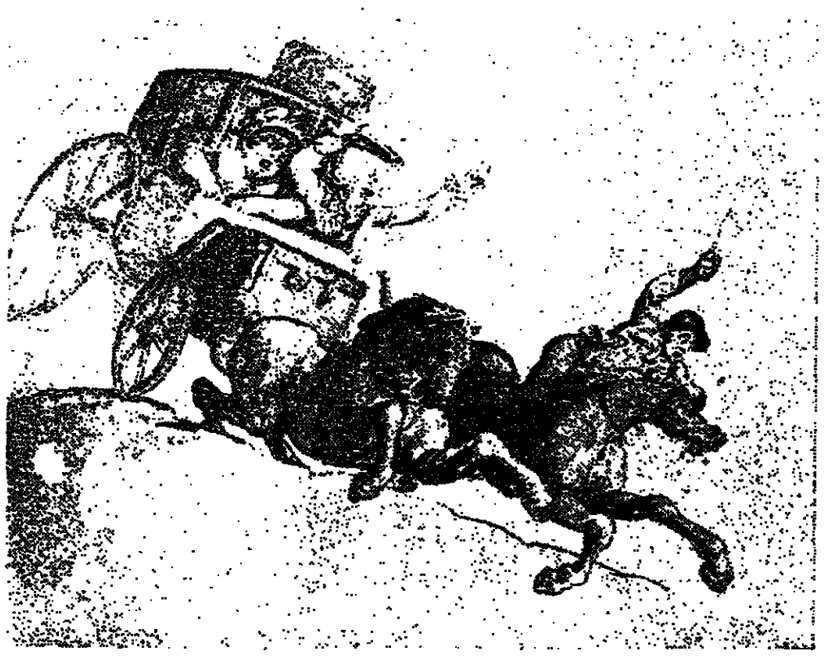
ORIGINALITY is the one aspect of a work of art apt to get blurred by the passing of time. Yet the opposite holds true in the case of Sir Michael Tippett's "King Priam," first staged in 1962 and now revived again after 10 years at **Covent Garden.** Not only is the impact of Tippett's dramatic vision sharper than ever, the twist, that is, by which in his own libretto he treats Homer's "Iliad" from the Trojan point of view and turns it into Priam's tragedy of choice. Its originality of the score seems more radical still. I feel driven to elaborate on my description of it on an earlier occasion. For in fact the emancipation of the ornament I referred to results in the least thematic or chordal music ever to sustain an opera. Moreover, the prevalence of spare monodic textures is particularly suited to providing musical equivalents of a civilisation so utterly unaware of polyphony and harmony even though Tippett very likely never had that parallel in mind.

Certainly these characteristics of the music are hauntingly reflected in Sean Kenny's bare and virtually propless set with its spare background projections symbolic of Trojan or Greek locations and never mind if in the meantime the titled disc in the centre has meanwhile come to be associated with the Bayreuthian ring in the "Ring." The scenic concoction still promises to make a perfect fit with the open air theatre beneath the Athens Parthenon during the Royal Opera's forthcoming visit.

It is not Ande Anderson's fault if Sam Wanamaker's original production has inevitably lost some of its immediacy and vitality through a restaging, however careful and conscientious. But he has assembled a formidable and almost entirely new cast, with the Swiss Alexander Malta (making his debut in the house) intensely moving in Priam's tormented monologues and indeed during his crucial encounter with Kim Begley's Achilles. Undue instrumental predominance may be to blame if the Greek hero's war cry sounded less horrendous than one remembers it from Richard Lewis. But the lyrical nostalgia for his homeland was most eloquently rendered to the lyre's accompaniment. Alan Opie made an imposing new Hector while Robin Leggate as Paris subtly hinted at the tragedy of a son unable to gain his father's affection. He sang most strongly when first heard after the remarkable Nicholas Sillitoe had delighted us as Paris the boy.

Of the three human ladies cleverly conceived by Tippett as doubling the three goddesses, Felicity Palmer lived up to cherished memories of her Andromache-Hera in the Decca recording. Phyllis Cannan was a forceful Hecuba-Athene. Anne Howells certainly looked a Helen-Aphrodite. Deon van der Walt gave a fine account of Hermes, that is Tippett's Ode to Music. The conductor Elgar Howarth made a distinguished debut in the house, as did the full complement of violins and cellos—rather than one each as usual—respectively playing for Hecuba and Andromache.

Peter Stadlen



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OPERA / In Hérold's thrall

NO REGULAR opera house in London can equal the record of the **John Lewis** Music Society in introducing us to rarities from the repertory. The little company is putting us once more in its debt this week by reviving in the store's auditorium Hérold's almost forgotten work "Le Pré aux Cleros" name of a famous inn near the Louvre which was the royal palace in 16th-century Paris.

Based on an incident in a history book by Merimée it tells how Marguerite, Queen of Navarre, snatches her protégé Isabelle from the clutches of a ruffian at the court of her brother the French King and gives the girl to her girlhood lover Mergy a fellow Navarraise.

In spite of its serious setting the piece written in 1830, just before the composer's early death is basically an opera-comique. In it intrigues, involving an Italian ambassador, the Catholic-Protestant rivalry of the day, romance and even a fatal duel, are treated in the light-hearted fashion deriving from Rossini's later pieces with a dash of German seriousness coming from Weber to temper the fun.

On the strength of this opera it would appear Hérold had a gift not only for jaunty melody but also for quite expressive though composed numbers. There are only 12 of these in the work and they are all tailored to change of mood and tempo as the plot requires. I shan't easily forget Isbelle's Bellini-like aria and Cabaletta at the start of act two, the delightful waltz song for Nicette one of the plebian characters, or the effervescent trio in act three. In spite of the obvious influences the composer had a voice of his own and it is one worth hearing.

Malcolm Hunter's inventive, slightly camp production, with all the singers made up in clown like fashion, was well disciplined in Marie Jeanne Lecca's attractive highly coloured sets. Morag Mackay disclosed a pleasing voice and clean technique as Isabelle, Margaret Perry a gift for soubrette comedy as Nicette.

Of the house regulars Brian Kevis was his usual amusing self as Cantarelli, the Italian intriguer, and David Flint suggested and sometimes encompassed the difficult tenor role of Mergy. James Robertson conducted with his accustomed flair making us want to hear more Hérold.

Alan Blyth

TELEVISION / Wine Programme

JANCIS ROBINSON puts forward an approachable screen personality, hiding her learning behind those panoramic spectacles, leaving to others the contortions of pretentiousness her subject traditionally attracts. She has invaded a male world but has done so quietly. Just back from a mildly bibulous Italian holiday I thought Jancis on "Enjoying It" might ease the pain of returning to the television grindstone.

Unfortunately the second series of **The Wine Programme** (C-4), which presented its penultimate edition last night, lacks the panache of the first. Perhaps we were too easily amused by the presumption of the opening programmes but in memory they did offer more body.

Somewhere in the midst of this week's half hour from Telekation an annonymous New Zealander, said to own a "London wine bar empire," gave some solid and sensible advice about temperatures and acceptable food combinations. But as usual when television approaches this area there seemed to be a continual worry about the audience's limited attention span.

The formula suggested a wine tasting, where various approaches are tried and quickly spat out, rather than a solid drink. Characters with funny accents were encouraged in their wine aphorisms. Auberon Waugh was glimpsed making an after dinner speech thought funny by a well lubricated audience. An Australian called Murphy said he had had three heart attacks and that wine kept him going. And so on.

The programme was topped by a "top Asace wine maker," one Johnny Hugel. He was mostly observed sharing a table set before a vineyard, with a rather less loquacious "top chef." They were apparently toying with a combination of delicacies, with slight appetite, and trying for Jancis's sake to work up some kind of dispute. It was surely a sketch left over from "Monty Python's Flying Circus."

There was an immediate reminder of this institution in "Canned Laughter," the David Liddiment and Phil Casson compilation which completed the nostalgic reminder of comic landmarks in Granada's Television (ITV). This also pointed to the sad lack of anything reliably funny, beyond James Burke's excursions about the universe, in the present schedules.

There were occasional attempts to find a thread running from American radio and vaudeville to the various offshoots of television comedy. But apart from formulæ evolved in one country and bought for adaptation to the sense of humour of another, there was no very convincing evidence of cross-fertilisation.

As elsewhere in this series, I thirsted for a strong point of view which would have given the programme a purpose beyond a flip through the archives and would have floated an idea or two about the mysterious craft of laughter-making.

Sean Day-Lewis

CONCERTS / Ravel's Bolero

WHEN Ravel described his "Bolero" as a piece for orchestra without music, he may well have been speaking in a typically self-deprecatory spirit, but it was much more likely that he was simply putting the facts straight.

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With little musical substance to worry about, it could well have appeared to be a work better suited than most to the analytical, manual-of-orchestration style of conducting of Giuseppe Sinopoli.

As it turned out, however, just the opposite was the case in his performance that ended the Philharmonia Orchestra's **Festival Hall** concert on Monday. He clearly had his own original ideas about the music, but all to its disadvantage, his lavish over-interpretation of its obsessively repetitive tune, his sometimes deliberate distortion of its strictly calculated instrumental balance and lax rhythm, not only draining it of its remorseless tension, but also of its essential quality for Ravellian irony.

Nor did he reveal any closer affinity with the same composer in another of his characteristic moods in a neatly and quite pleasingly textured, but dispiriting account of "Le Tombeau de Couperin."

Scriabin's "Poem of Ecstasy" fared rather more successfully in its didactic control of structure and detail, yet here again without investing its music with the necessary incandescence in the articulation of its flickering melodies or, in general, with much sense of the heightened ecstasy indicated by its title.

Fluency rather than elegance, wit or sparkle, was also the principal feature of the playing of both the orchestra, and of the soloist Salvatore Accardo, in the third violin concerto at Saint-Saëns.

Robert Henderson

Spritely Coffee Cantata

TO MAKE a London debut with two short recitatives and with the middle part in a single trio (scarcely more extended than the recitatives) is not perhaps what every tenor would wish for, but it was none the less the rich, openly expressive and communicatively engaging voice of Jean-Luc Viala which proved one of the more enlivening—and sadly under-exposed—aspects of Monday's **Barbican** concert.

He was singing in Bach's "Coffee Cantata," taking the modest role of the narrator in a performance conducted by Yehudi Menuhin in his current Bach series with the English Chamber Orchestra. Had it not been for the singers, in fact, there would have been little to suggest the levity and spirited theatricality of this occasional secular cantata, but at least Alison Hargan as Lieschen and Nicholas Rivenq as her father Schlendrian sang with an endearing amusement which matched Mr Viala's bright temperament in rising above a performance which rarely managed more than a genial colourlessness.

At the start of this concert Mr Menuhin, here celebrating his 69th birthday, played Bach's E major Violin Partita and the Violin Concerto in A minor, and in the second half he directed a performance of the "Peasant Cantata," in which Mr Rivenq again impressed with his operatic verve in such arias as the boisterous "Funfzig Taler" and the jocular "Dein Wachstum se feste," and Miss Hargan caught an endearingly lively mood in (particularly) her "Klein-Zschocher nusse" with William Bennett's fluid obligato flute.

Geoffrey Norris

Janacek at QEH

DESPITE the esteem in which we hold most of Janacek's music in this country, the piano works are not often programmed and it was good to hear "In The Mists" at the outset of the Czech pianist Ivan Moravec's **Queen Elizabeth Hall** recital last night.

If the intimate self-communing which forms at least the starting point for these nostalgic but never over-indulgent reminiscences was laid aside in favour of a more dramatically outgoing manner, this was carried through with warmth and conviction.

The performance of Beethoven's "Pastoral" Sonata which followed we again heard the most cultured playing, although there was a certain lack of that individuality which would have brought more humour and unexpectedness to the music, and we had to wait for Chopin's four scherzos to elicit such a response.

These, in fact, were given with a new fire and spontaneity and apart from a want of textural clarity in the B flat minor revealed form and emotional content in fine harness. We then heard two exquisitely and most originally performed miniatures as encores, Chopin's A minor Mazurka Opus 17 and Brahms's Capriccio in B minor.

Anthony Payne

'Sherwood'

By Our Arts Staff

"Sherwood," a new musical based on the Robin Hood legends, will open at Bristol's Hippodrome on May 15, then be seen at the Gaumont Southampton on June 5 before reaching London's Dominion Theatre on June 28.

Stephanie Lawrence, formerly "Evita" and "Marilyn" in the West End, will play Marion. Paul Squire will play Will Scarlet, Simon Oates Little John and newcomer Paul Baden will star as Robin in the musical written by Bobby Crush.

SOME notices on this page appeared in later editions of yesterday's paper.

ART GALLERIES

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There is a good example of this in Spink's Annual Exhibition of English watercolours which is on until May 10. Rowlandson's "Peregrine rescuing Emelia from the Inn Fire" is even for him wicked just as "The runaway coach" is splendidly exuberant.

At the same time both make a telling contrast with Samuel Palmer's "A farm near Princes Risborough."

When we think of Palmer we usually recall the intense poetry of his later works. This watercolour, which dates from much earlier, shows him more concerned to study nature than to achieve an effect with obvious spiritual connotations. The result is nevertheless a poetical intimation of the qualities of the English countryside.

We are provided with the kind of insight of which this exhibition offers many examples. Thus there are five De Wints hanging together which serve not just to remind us why he is one of the finest of English watercolour painters but also that he commanded a variety of techniques.

The use of body colour and the scraping out employed in his "Blackgang Chine Isle of Wight" was only possible because he was such an assured craftsman.

It is fascinating to be able to look at these drawings by Ruskin and at others by artists about whom he wrote. He would for instance surely have approved of the Turner from Kenneth Clark's collection.

Nor is it just Ruskin who is represented by a group of drawings. The seven Lears ranging from Egypt to Switzerland compliment the big exhibition at the Royal Academy. There are also individual watercolours that enhance our understanding of particular artists: the E. W. Cooke is a particularly attractive example of his works.

This watercolour of the Mill near Molesey near Hampton Court stands up well in the company of typical examples of White Abbott, Callow, Constable, Cox, Girtin, Holland, David Roberts and John Varley. The supply of Old Masters may on the art market be getting remarkably thin but it is nice to know that there are still English watercolours of this quality about.

Terence Mullaly

THEATRE / Dear Headmaster

DOUBLE bills are always difficult. They tend to let us down. Either because the contrast of mood is too great, or because the quality of writing or acting drops.

In "Dear Headmaster," at the **Birmingham Repertory Studio,** both objections apply with rigorous and depressing fascination. When he wrote "The Browning Version," Terence Rattigan teamed it with "Harlequinade," a spoof about a touring Shakespeare company for which everything goes wrong.

After the brilliant, sad tale of the unpopular classics master, the roving Shakespeareans proved a comical anti-climax, both at the original 1948 performance and more recently at the National Theatre.

Now at Birmingham, Clive Perry brings on after the Rattigan (which is as marvellous as ever) an embarrassing hour of facetious schoolboy humour in which a fictitious headmaster addresses us and makes the kind of dreadful jokes about public schools and their ways of thinking which would have made Crocker-Harris wince and his young pupil Tatlow curl up in shame.

Yet, considering that "The Rochester Sneath Version," by Humphrey Berkeley — a once famous hoax practised on real schools to coax from them letters on various issues for the sake of this sort of retrospective giggle — follows so hard upon the Rattigan masterpiece it is extraordinary how well the actor John Baddeley, who devised the one-man show, is received as the tweedy, bespectacled humourist.

There are slides and songs and puns and many sexual innuendoes and an atmosphere akin to the worst sort of Monty Python fooling, which is no funnier for sometimes being factual when a letter from some bigwig is quoted.

Still, you have to admire the persistence and the timing of Mr Baddeley's performance, which would have amused the lower fourth, perhaps, at Rattigan's equally fictitious school. Yet how much truer his establishment rings, with Roger Kemp as the retiring master.

Katherine Barker and John Dixon, as his resentfully passionate wife and her half-hearted lover, remind us that these characters were a blueprint for Freddie Page and Hester Colyer in "The Deep Blue Sea," which came four years later.

Samuel West's Taplow is a model of tact, and appending to this great little play a wheeze like Mr Baddesley's becomes an act of almost outrageous vulgarity. But perhaps I am being unduly sensitive. The double bill tours the West Midlands for three weeks after its Birmingham run.

Eric Shorter

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Court Circular

WINDSOR CASTLE April 23.

By command of The Queen, the Lord Skelmersdale (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London, this morning upon the arrival of The President of the Republic of Seychelles and welcomed His Excellency on behalf of Her Majesty.

The Hon. Mary Morrison has succeeded Mrs John Dugdale as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE April 23.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this afternoon visited the Langdon Park Centre, Tower Hamlets.

Lady Elizabeth Basset, Sir Martin Gilliat and Captain James Lowther-Pinkerton were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE April 23.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, The Blackie Foundation Trust, was present this afternoon at the Blackie Memorial Lecture held at The Medical Society of London, Chandos Street. In the evening Her Royal Highness was present at the Recital held at Drapers' Hall, Throgmorton Street, in aid of King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers.

Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were present this evening at the Health Festival's "Spring Celebration" in aid of Birthright at the Savoy Hotel, London, W.C.2.

Lt-Col Sir Simon Bland and Mrs Euan McCorquodale were in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE April 23.

Princess Alexandra, attended by Lady Angela Whiteley, arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight from Belgium.

A Requiem Memorial Mass will be offered for the late President-elect of the Federative Republic of Brazil, Senhor Tancredo de Almeida Neves, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, London, W.1, on Monday, April 29, at 11 a.m.

A memorial service for Mr H. N. Sporborg will be held in the Chapel of the Order of St Michael and St George, in St Paul's Cathedral, on Thursday, May 9, at 11.30 a.m.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr John L. Harvey will be held in the Chapel of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, on Friday, May 10, at 11 a.m.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Dame Helen Gardiner is 84 today; Sir Richard Woolley is 79; Mr Justice Park 75; Mr Justice Caulfield 71; Field Marshal Lord Carver 70; Lord Decies 70; Mr Joseph Rank 67; the Marquess of Cholmondeley 66; Adml Sir Rae McKaig 63; Mr J. E. H. Collins 62; Mr Clement Freud, M.P., 61; Miss Shirley Maclaine 51; and Miss Barbra Streisand 42.

Forthcoming Marriages

Major I. R. Shackleton and Miss F. S. Charkham

The engagement is announced between Major Ian Shackleton, Royal Tank Regiment, son of the late Lieutenant Colonel R. J. Shackleton and of Mrs Irene Shackleton, of Winterborne Kingston, Dorset, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jonathan Charkham, of Kensington, London.

Mr D. A. Addams-Williams and Miss S. F. Martin

The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Lt-Col and Mrs H. T. Addams-Williams, of Llangibby House, near Usk, Gwent, and Susie, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. D. Martin, of School Cottage, Watton-at-Stone, Hertfordshire.

Mr R. D. A. Wedderburn and Miss H. E. Ifor-Jones

The engagement is announced between Robin Wedderburn, of 9, Priory Gardens, London, S.W.13, elder son of the late Major D. M. A. Wedderburn and of Mrs H. W. Freeman-Attwood, and Hazel, daughter of the late Rev. J. H. Ifor-Jones and of Mrs Ifor-Jones, of Uppingham, Leicestershire.

Mr M. A. J. Comyn and Miss J. W. McClement

The engagement is announced between Martin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs V. L. J. Comyn, of Yardington Mandeville, Somerset, and Janet, elder daughter of Captain and Mrs R. L. McClement, of Holt, Wiltshire.

Mr T. K. Dunham and Miss H. L. Kozich

The engagement is announced between Timothy Kingsley, elder son of Professor and Mrs Ansel Dunham, of Beverely, Yorkshire, and Hannah Louise, younger daughter of the late Mr R. F. Kozich and of Mrs E. M. Kozich, of Stamford, Lincolnshire.

Mr C. H. Hegan and Miss R. L. John

The engagement is announced between Clifford Hugh, youngest son of Dr and Mrs H. Hegan, of Southampton, and Rosemary Linda, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward John, of Peterston-super-Ely, near Cardiff.

Mr M. Charlton and Miss F. J. Henley

The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs W. Charlton, of Farnborough, Hants., and Frances, daughter of Dr and Mrs B. Henley, of Yateley, Hants.

Mr P. J. Thompson and Miss K. Sisti

The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs Ralph W. Thompson, of Water Farm, Ruskington, Lincolnshire, and Karin, daughter of Mr Armand A. Sisti, of North Caldwell, New Jersey, and Mrs John W. Armfield, of Auribeau-sur-Siagne, France.

Mr H. C. R. Downes and Miss V. A. Palmer

The engagement is announced between Harry, second son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Downes, of Little Marsh House, Beaulieu, Hampshire, and Victoria, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John Palmer, of Harrington House, Whittlesea, Cambridgeshire.

Mr J. H. Beedle and Miss J. R. Reid

The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mrs Jesse Beedle and the late Mr G. H. Beedle, of Romford, Essex, and Jacqueline Rowena, only daughter of Mrs J. B. Cooper, of Marlborough, Wiltshire, and the late Mr D. A. Reid.

Mr R. C. Meyer and Miss J. N. Owen

The engagement is announced between Richard, eldest son of Mr and Mrs E. C. Meyer, of Guildford, Surrey, and Jacqueline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D. M. Owen, also of Guildford.

Mr N. C. Englander and Miss J. L. Millar

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, middle son of Mr and Mrs A. E. Englander, of Hadley Wood, Herts., and Jacqueline Louise, youngest daughter of the late Mr John Millar, of Parkstone, Poole, Dorset, and Mrs Rosemary Budd, of Theobalds Park, Waltham Cross.

Mr C. H. Dickson and Miss R. Ying

The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place in Hongkong on Saturday, May 18, between Charles Henry, only son of Mr and Mrs Richard H. W. Dickson, of Tettenhall, Wolverhampton, and Bernadette, daughter of Mrs Ying, of Hongkong.

Mr M. C. A. Dyer and Miss N. J. Higgin

The engagement is announced between Michael, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A. J. Dyer, of Timau, Kenya, and Nicola, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. N. Higgin, of Limuru, Kenya.

Mr M. Moor and Miss H. M. Parker

The marriage will take place on April 26 in Morges, Switzerland, between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs W. Moor, of Morges, Switzerland, and Henrietta, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Parker, of London, S.W.14.

Mr M. Johnville and Miss R. A. Bye

The engagement is announced between Macarius, nephew of Mrs Mary Adon, of Castries, St Lucia, and Rosemary, daughter of the late Peter Bye and of Mrs James Page, of Besselsleigh and Dry Sandford, Abingdon-on-Thames.

Mr A. Mitchell and Miss S. E. Young

The engagement is announced between Andrew, youngest son of Mr W. Mitchell and Mrs M. Mitchell, and Sally, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. A. Young, of Blackgrove Farm, Lingfield, Surrey.

Mr J. J. Trusselle and Miss A. C. Freeman

The engagement is announced between James Julian, son of Mr and Mrs W. C. J. Trusselle, of Tonbridge, Kent, and Annabel Charlotte, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. J. G. Freeman, of Hadleigh, Suffolk.

WEDDINGS

The Hon. Richard King and Miss M. Boehm

The marriage took place on Tuesday, April 16, in Charlotte, North Carolina, of the Hon. Richard King, eldest son of Lord King of Wartnaby, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, and the late Mrs King, and Miss Monica Boehm, daughter of Mr and Mrs Erich Boehm, of Boca Raton, Florida.

Mr M. W. Drake and Miss K. R. Ruthven

The marriage took place on Saturday, April 20, at St Peter's Church, Hever, of Mr Martyn Drake, of Enfield, and Miss Kyla Ruthven, of Lingfield.

A reception was held at Hever Castle.

Mr M. C. P. Rego and Miss S. E. Luckham-Down

The marriage took place at St Nicholas's Church, Chislehurst, on Saturday, April 20, between Mr Michael Rego and Miss Sarah Luckham-Down.

IN MEMORIAM

Maj-Gen. H. D. Fellowes

A memorial service for Maj-Gen. Halford David Fellowes was held yesterday at the Church of St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall. The Rev. Basil Watson officiated. Major J. D. F. Hunter (son-in-law) read the lesson and Maj.-Gen. Sir Jeremy Moore gave the address. Among those present were:

Mrs Fellowes (widow), Mrs J. D. F. Hunter (daughter), Mr J. I. F. Hunter, and Mrs R. Crammer (grandchildren), and Mrs Patrick Keyes, Mr and Mrs Allen Pym, Mr P. E. L. and Lady Maureen Fellowes, Mr J. A. Fellowes, and other members of the family.

Gen. Sir Ian Riches, Gen. Sir Peter Hellings, Sir John Paul, Lady Moore, Lady (Campbell) Hardy, Lt-Gen. C. L. Wilkins, Commandant General Royal Marines, Maj-Gen. Bob Loudoun, Lt-Gen. John Hardy, Maj.-Gen. and Mrs Martin Garrod, Maj.-Gen. J. S. Wilson, Brig. K. R. S. Trevor, also representing No 1 Commando 1943-45, Lt-Col. Robert Dawson, representing No 4 Commando, Major J. C. Heron, representing No 5 Commando, Major R. Lumley, representing the Polventon Branch, Royal British Legion, and Mrs Lumley; Mr Henry Brown, representing the Commando Association, Mr Kenneth Wright, also representing Rye Golf Club, and other friends.

Col Ian Lapraik

A memorial service for Col Ian Lapraik was held yesterday at St Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street, S.W.1. The Very Rev. J. Fraser McLuskey officiated and gave the address. Sir Ian Gilmour, M.P., gave the first reading and Col Sir William Macpherson of Cluny the second. Mrs Lapraik (widow) and Miss Fiona Lapraik (daughter) were among those present.

Mr C. L. G. Phillpotts

A memorial service for Mr Christopher Louis George Phillpotts was held yesterday at St Martin-in-the-Fields. The Rev. Fred Stevens officiated and prayers were said by the Rev. Hugh Marshall. The lesson was read by Mr Alan Phillpotts (cousin). Readings were given by Mr Jonathan Mylne (grandson), Mr Simon Phillpotts (son) and Mr William Fox. Sir Stephen Hastings paid tribute to Mr Phillpotts. Among those present were:

Mrs Phillpotts (widow), Mr and Mrs Ted Staverton (son-in-law and daughter), Miss Jessica Mylne, Dominic Mylne (grandchildren), Mr and Mrs Jeremy Reiss, Miss Amanda Reiss, Mrs Alan Phillpotts, Capt. and Mrs Jeremy James, Mrs Nancy Marengl, Mrs Michael Goodbody, Mr and Mrs Andrew Millar, Mrs K. Kirkpatrick.

The Earl and Countess of Normanton, Lord and Lady Greenhill of Harrow, Lord and Lady Gladwyn, the Hon. A. V. Hare, Lady Charlotte Anne Curzon, Lady Caroline Faber, Sir Michael Palairet, the Hon. Simon Orr-Ewing, Sir Nicholas Cheetham, Sylvia, Lady Wilkinson, Sir Ian Critchett, Sir Richard and the Hon. Lady Wells-Colvin, Lady Brooke, Sir Guy Fison, Lt-Cdr Sir Peter Troubridge, Sir Derick Ashe, Lady Peake, Sir Clive Loehnis, Sir Peter Tennant, Sir Robin and Lady Hooper, Sir Dick Franks, Sir Leonard Neal, Lady Rennie, Lady (William) Harding, Sir Anthony and Lady Lambert, Sir Patrick Dean, Sir Harold Beeley, Major and the Hon. Mrs John Bowlby.

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DINNERS

Lord Mayor

Mr Michael Somare, Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea, and Mrs Somare were guests of the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, Sir Alan and Lady Traill, at the Easter banquet given in honour of the members of the Diplomatic Corps and their ladies at the Mansion House last evening. The speakers were the Lord Mayor, the Ambassador of the Dominican Republic and Sir Geoffrey Howe, Q.C., M.P., Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs.

John Poland & Co. Ltd

The Lord Mayor, Sir Alan Traill, and the Sheriffs attended a dinner given on Monday at Guildhall by the the Chairman and Directors of John Poland & Co. Ltd to commemorate the centenary of Poland's at Lloyd's. The Lord Mayor proposed the toast, "Poland's at Lloyd's," and Mr John Poland replied and proposed a toast to the Names, to which Mr Neil Durden-Smith responded.

Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

Prof. Alistair MacLeary presided at the annual dinner of the Planning and Development Division of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors held at the Naval and Military Club, Piccadilly, last night. Mr R. Steel proposed the toast to the Division. Prof. MacLeary proposed the toast to the guests, and Mr A. Phillips replied on their behalf. The other principal guests were:

Mr G. I. Fuller, Mr S. P. Byrne, Mr A. B. Fallows, Mr H. S. Aston, Mr R. D. Jeffrice, Mr J. Case and Mr R. C. Mabey.

Baxter Payne & Lepper

The partners of Baxter Payne & Lepper, of London, Bromley and Croydon, gave a dinner last night at Skinners' Hall to mark the 225th anniversary of the foundation of the firm by Samuel Baxter. The senior partner, Mr John Thomas, presided and other speakers were Mr Donald Kirkham and Mr Geoffrey Dunn. Guests were:

Sir Geraint Evans, Judge David Griffiths, the Mayor of Bromley, Mr Colin Cowdrey, First Warden of the Skinners' Company, Mr David Male, Master of the Chartered Surveyors' Company, and professional friends and associates.

Kodak Limited

Mr Roy Milner, Chairman and Managing Director of Kodak Limited, gave a dinner last night at the Savoy to celebrate the 70th birthday of Sir Charles Groves, after a concert by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra at the Royal Festival Hall. Other guests were:

Lady Groves, Dame Margaret Weston, Mr Yehudi Menuhin, Mr John Williams, Mr W. Richard Haines, Vice-President of Eastman Kodak Company, and Mrs Haines, Mr George Ward, Chairman of Grunwick Processing Laboratories Limited, and Mrs Ward, and Mr John Davies, Joint General Manager of Lloyds Bank plc, and Mrs Davies.

ETON COLLEGE

Eton College opens today for the summer half. There are 1,259 boys at the school. A. J. M. Roxburgh, KS, continues as captain of the school and J. A. B. Gavin, LS, captain of the Oppidans. Four performances of The Bacchae will be given in the Farrer Theatre on May 25, 26, 27 and 28. The corps tattoo will be on the evening of May 29 prior to the Fourth of June celebrations on May 30. Long Leave will be from May 30 to June 3, the Winchester match will be played at Winchester on June 21 and 22, the Harrow match at Lords on July 6 and school closes on July 12.

ALLHALLOWS SCHOOL, DEVON

The Summer Term at Allhallows School begins today and ends on Friday, July 12. The Confirmation service is on Saturday, May 4; the Bishop of Crediton will officiate. The Combined Cadet Force Annual Inspection will be on Friday, May 10, when the Inspecting Officer will be Air Commodore R. A. Mason. Speech Day will be on Saturday, July 6, when the chief guest will be Dr David Harrison, Vice-Chancellor, Exeter University. Exeat is from May 24 until May 28 and the Old Honitonians' Cricket Week begins on July 15.

A reception will be held at the school on Saturday, April 27, for Vice-Presidents and Governors to launch the Allhallows Development Appeal. The objectives of the Appeal are a new Boys' House, an extension to the Girls' House, and a Sports Hall and Drama Centre. The President of the Appeal is Mr J. A. Danielli, the Chairman of the Appeal is Brig. N. I. B. Speller and the Appeal Director is Mr A. W. Preston.

CHELTENHAM LADIES' COLLEGE

The summer term at Cheltenham Ladies' College begins on Thursday, April 25. The Summer Concert will take place on Friday, July 12. Speech Day and the Leavers' Ball will be held on Saturday, July 13. The Daisy Ball will be held at the Hurlingham Club on Friday, May 31, in aid of the Guild of Cheltenham Ladies' College Centenary Appeal. Information may be obtained from Miss C. Leslie, 25, Englewood Road, London, SW12 9PA. Telephone: 01-628 9611 (day) or 01-673 2948 (evening).

Scholarships awarded this year are as follows:

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Centenary Scholarship: Rhiannon Evans, St Christopher's School, Farnham, Surrey.

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Minor Scholarships: Rachel Bliss, Berkhampstead School, Cheltenham, Glos; Lena Sentongo, Hampshire School, London, S.W.7.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Major Scholarship: Jennifer Nichols, Charlton Kings Junior School, Cheltenham, Glos.

Minor Scholarship: Catharine Worsley, Most Junior School, Gloucester.

Instrumental Award: Griselda Yorke, Abbey School, Tewkesbury.

S. MICHAELS BURTON PARK

The summer term begins today at S. Michaels Burton Park. Tara Crichton continues as Head of School. Half-term is from 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 23, to 8.30 pm. on Wednesday, May 29. Term ends on Foundation Day, July 13, when the Preacher will be the Dean of Chichester, the Very Rev. Robert Holtby.

EDGEHILL COLLEGE

The Summer Term at Edgehill College, Bideford, North Devon, begins tomorrow and the annual May Ball is on Saturday, May 4. Old Girls are reminded of the London reunion on Saturday, May 11, and the Bideford reunion during the last weekend in June. Other special events include Commemoration Day on Thursday, May 23, and the Mediaeval Fete on Saturday, July 13.

COBHAM HALL

Cobham Hall's Summer Term begins today. Katherine Cater is the Guardian. Elders Day at Cobham Hall is on Saturday, April 27, from noon. Festival Weekend will be held on July 6 and 7, and term ends at 3 p.m. on July 7.

BASTON SCHOOL, HAYES, KENT

Summer Term begins today at Baston School. Open Day is on Friday, July 12, and the Parents' Association Weekend will be held on Saturday and Sunday, July 13 and 14, with family tennis, a barbeque and fête. Term ends on Wednesday, July 17.

HOWELL'S SCHOOL, DENBIGH

Summer Term begins today at Howell's School, Denbigh. The School celebrates its 125th birthday on the weekend of May 11 with a celebration ball and other festivities, including a performance of "The Reluctant Debutante." The weekend will also see the opening of the new Art and Craft complex by the Master of the Drapers' Company, Capt. P. A. Bence-Trower, R.N. The half-term break will be from May 24 until June 2 and the term will conclude on Sunday, July 14. Dr Eric Anderson, Headmaster of Eton College, will deliver the Speech Day address.

KINGSWOOD SCHOOL

Term began at Kingswood School on Tuesday, April 23, and ends on Saturday, July 13. Founder's Day is on Friday, May 24, when the preacher at Bath Abbey will be the Rev. Colin Morris. The new Sports Hall will be offiacly opened by Sir Alec Atkinson later in the day. The Scholarship Examination will be held on May 13-15.

KING WILLIAM'S COLLEGE, ISLE OF MAN

Summer term at King William's College, Isle of Man, begins today. J. D. Hamm continues as Head of School and R. F. M. Cook is Captain of Cricket. The Archbishop of Liverpool will visit the school on April 25 and Maj.-Gen. L. A. W. New (O.K.W.) will conduct the Combined Cadet Force Annual Inspection on May 20. The Old Boys' dinner and end of term are on July 15.

QUEENSWOOD SCHOOL

The Summer Term begins at Queenswood School today with Charlotte Gerken as Head Girl and Alison Wakelin as Deputy Head Girl. Confirmation will be held on Saturday, May 11, the service being conducted by the Bishop of Hertford and the Rev. G. S. Wakefield, Principal of Queen's College, Birmingham. Commemoration Day is on Thursday, May 23, when the service will be taken by the Bishop of Lewes and the Prizes presented by Sir Peter Thompson.

ST AUDRIES SCHOOL

The Summer Term begins today at St Audries School. Performances of the School Play will be given on May 17 and 23. Old Girls' Day is on May 18 and Sports Day on June 8. The St John Nursing Cadet Band will play at Earls Court on Saturday, July 13, during the matinee performance of the Royal Tournament. Speech Day, at which the guest of honour will be Mr J. A. F. Luttrell, County Commissioner for St John Ambulance Brigade, is on Tuesday, July 16. Half-term is from May 24 to 29 and term ends on July 17.

ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOL, BUSHEY, HERTS.

Summer Term at St Margaret's School, Bushey, begins today. The Choir take part in a performance of the "War Requiem" at the Royal Albert Hall on May 5. The School service in the Cathedral and Abbey Church of St Alban is on May 14 at 2.45 p.m., when the preacher will be the Bishop of St Albans. Open Day is on July 6 and term ends on July 10.

TRENT COLLEGE

The Summer Term, with 575 pupils, began at Trent College on Monday, April 22, and ends on Friday, July 12, after Speeches, at which the guest of honour will be Mr Michael Bishop, Chairman of British Midland Airways. The Head of School is Daryl Shorthose and Simon Karios is Captain of Cricket. The Scholarship Examinations (academic, art / design, leadership, etc.), for boys of 13 will be held on May 13 to 15, and applications should be received by May 4. The £1,000,000 development programme is scheduled to begin in the summer holidays.

CLIFTON COLLEGE

Term begins today at Clifton College. J. M. Davies (North Town) is Head of School and G. D. Little (Oakeley's House) Second Head of School. The Old Cliftonian Reunion is on May 11-12 for those born between 1936 and 1941. Commemoration is on May 24-25 when the preacher will be the Bishop of Sherborne. The exeat follows the Commemoration weekend and term ends on July 12. Mr A. J. Brown will be Housemaster of Dakyns' from September, when Dr R. Gliddon takes up his appointment as Headmaster of Queen Elizabeth's Hospital.

WEST BUCKLAND SCHOOL

The annual Old West Buckland Association reunion will be held on May 4-5 at West Buckland School, with Sports Day on Friday, June 28. The School Choir will sing Evensong in Exeter Cathedral on Friday, May 17.

Perfumed azalea on show

By FRED WHITSEY in Ghent

AN indoor azalea with perfumed flowers has excited visitors looking for new plants at the Ghent Quinquennial Floralies which continues all this week.

The showplace of the Belgian horticultural industry, but with ten other countries exhibiting, it continues the tradition renewed every five years since the first was held in 1839 of being the most splendid occasion in the gardening calendar.

The new azalea, the result of 14 years' breeding, is called Mistral and has rose-pink flowers. The growers here, who export 40 per cent. of their plants to Britain, believe that now that a scent has been introduced to the azalea other perfumed varieties will follow.

The thousands of plants on show demonstrate their virtuoso skill. Many are domes 4ft across so heavily flowered that all foliage is hidden. Others are trained as pillars and standards.

House plants

Though every known kind of house plant is on show grown to jungle size, new plant spotters have also been attracted by the commercial possibilities of a series of "dumb cane" varieties of dieffenbachia that remain compact, but have even more intricate leaf markings than the big plants already in the market.

Other new plants that have won approval are dracaenas with leaves striped with jade and ivory on a lime-green ground and a member of the pineapple family, the bromeliads, with large vermilion flowers set off by flowing white bracts. They are being scheduled for wholesale production and distribution through the flower markets of Europe.

Trees "tailored" in the classical fashion, the work of the skilled knifesmen who are a declining race here, include flying topiary birds worked in a small-leaved privet, cypress clipped to form several balls threaded on the bare trunk of a single tree, and ball-headed bay trees with the stems trained in corkscrew shape.

Britain is represented by a rock and water garden, which has been given a setting of trees and shrubs representing the home nursery trade. It has been sponsored by the Worshipful Company of Gardeners and executed by the London Royal Parks.

Obituary

GERTRUDE CATON-THOMPSON

MISS GERTRUDE CATON-THOMPSON, the distinguished archaeologist, who has died aged 97, made important contributions during the 1920s and 1930s by her excavations in Egypt, Libya, Rhodesia and South Africa.

She began her career in Egypt where she was a student of Sir Flinders Petrie at the British School of Archaeology from 1921 to 1926 and she was excavating at Abydos and Oxyrhynchos in 1921-22 and Malta in 1923-24.

She made her name in the Fayoum desert, 70 miles from Cairo, where in 1924-25 she found traces of a race of pastoral-agricultural people with a fully-evolved Neolithic culture, near Lake Moeris.

They were dated as about 8,000 years old and Fayoum came to be considered as the cradle of the world's earliest civilisations.

In 1929 she went to Rhodesia to excavate the site of Zimbabwe, then thought of as the possible site of King Solomon's Mines. She showed conclusively that, far from being prehistoric, it was the product of a vigorous Bantu civilisaton of 700-900 AD.

Buried temple

An expedition to the Kharga oasis in Libya in 1931 explored dried up springs used by man 35,000 years ago where "great factories" of flint implements were found.

In 1937 she worked with Dame Freya Stark and the geologist Miss E. W. Gardner at Hadhramaut, South Arabia, a land almost unknown to the archaeologist. They found a buried temple of the moon god Sin, the first of its kind recorded in Arabia, and vestiges of an old irrigation system.

A former Fellow of Newham College, Cambridge, Miss Caton-Thompson was made a Fellow of the British Academy in 1944 and gained several awards from the Royal Geographical Society, the Royal Anthropological Institute and the Royal Asiatic Society.

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TODAY'S EVENTS

Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11; Queen's Guard mounts, Buckingham Palace, 11.30.

British Museum: Patricia Bahree, "Sculpture of North India," 11.30; James Bishop, "The Times" and its editors (British Library event), 1.15.

Museum of London: Chris Elmers, "London Docklands and their development," 6.45.

TOMORROW'S EVENTS

Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 4; Queen's Guard mounts, Buckingham Palace, 11.30.

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WAY OF THE WORLD

Taking Them On

"IN a strange way I feel exhilarated in taking them on. I feel I've struck a blow for humanity." These words were spoken by Mrs Mary Foster, wife of an antique dealer in Surrey. She had fought off two robbers, one black, one white and armed, who had raided the Fosters' shop, shot her husband and beaten her severely about the face before dropping their loot to flee.

This brave victim of a multicultural exploit was right to feel exhilarated. She has probably made quite a lot of other people feel exhilarated too, while hoping they would have behaved as well themselves.

She has struck a blow for humanity. But what is it she has struck a blow against? The seemingly irresistible growth of violent crime; the modish tendency to regard violent criminals as "victims of an unjust society," helpless products of "social deprivation"; all the claptrap of the liberal consensus which, falsely claiming to represent humanity, has mesmerised the people of this country for so long that they are afraid even to speak against it and are ridiculed when they do.

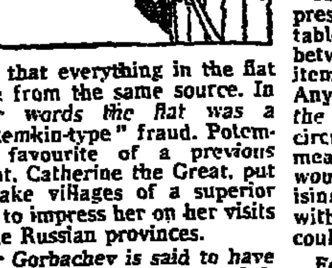
One blow against this massive system of fraud, however admirable, can do very little. But think what a million such blows could do!

Beware of Honesty

ACCORDING to a report from Moscow... Mr Gorbachev, the new leader of the USSR, has been making a round of visits to meet Mr and Mrs Average Soviet Citizen and find out how his subjects live. During one of these visits he was shown what he was told was a typical worker's flat. Everything was neat, tidy and comfortable, with domestic articles of good quality.

Unfortunately he turned over a saucer, rather rudely one might think, and found stamped on its under-side the insignia of the catering section of the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party.

He immediately realised, it is said, that everything in the flat came from the same source. In other words the flat was a "Potemkin-type" fraud. Potemkin, favourite of a previous tyrant, Catherine the Great, put up fake villages of a superior kind to impress her on her visits to the Russian provinces.



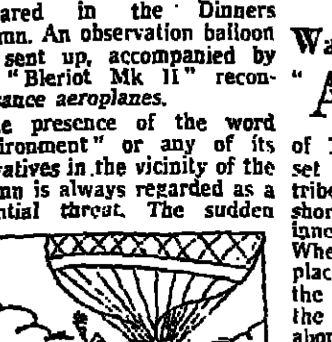
Mr Gorbachev is said to have been extremely angry and left the flat in a rage. Surely this is not playing the game? Such apparently open and honest behaviour is no good omen for the West.

Even worse, Mr Gorbachev's favourite question to subordinates is said to be: "Do you believe what you're telling me?" If the deviousness and deceit of Soviet leaders cannot be assumed, how can their monstrous power be contained? This man is dangerous.

False Alarm

COLUMNAR forces on our northern border were put on alert last Friday when a paragraph headed "Environmental Cleaners' Company" appeared in the Dinners Column. An observation balloon was sent up, accompanied by two "Bleriot Mk II" reconnaissance aeroplanes.

The presence of the word "environment" or any of its derivatives in the vicinity of the column is always regarded as a potential threat. The sudden appearance of this strangely named company, with its suggestion, however misleading, of people with gigantic mops and buckets intent on cleaning whole stretches of territory, perhaps including parts of the column itself, seemed particularly alarming.



An additional factor was the presence of a Printers' Charitable Corporation Dinner between the environmental item and the columnar border. Any direct operation against the suspicious item (and a circuitous approach might have meant delay, possibly fatal) would have involved "neutralising" the Printers' Dinner, with consequences no man could foresee.

Fortunately no such action proved necessary. A communiqué from Northern Command HQ announced that the environmental cleaners had no hostile intentions and were engaged in harmless eating, drinking and speechmaking, and our forces were stood down.

All the same, the incident shows the need for constant vigilance on our northern border, which is not precisely demarcated and is sometimes a prey to misleading thought-forms produced by the shamans of the wild nomadic tribes who range about the stony wastes of this mysterious "no man's land."

It cannot be too strongly emphasised . . .

Watch These Spaces

"AT least 15 people were killed when police . . . opened fire on a crowd of 10,000 tribesmen who had set fire to houses of non-tribesmen." This comes from a short report tucked away in an inner page of the GUARDIAN. Where did the massacre take place? Well, actually, it was in the Indian State of Bihar, and the slain were some of the aboriginal inhabitants of India.

Watch such spaces in the GUARDIAN and elsewhere and you will read of such events quite often.

Peter Simple

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Then cometh the end, when He shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when He shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign, till He hath put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. 1 Corinthians 15 vv. 24-26.

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19th April 1985.

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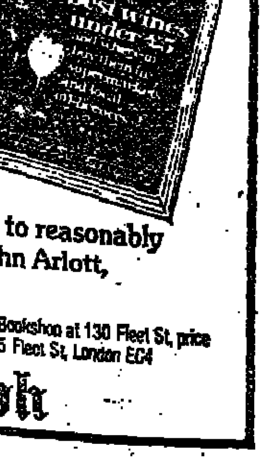

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BY MOYRA BEESTON
IN WASHINGTON

AMERICANS are getting ready for their biggest-ever summer invasion of Europe. It's not just the variably strong dollar which set their eyes looking towards Europe earlier this year, but the continuing improvement in the American economy which has made 1985 the year for travel.

Last year 2·8 million Americans visited Britain and the forecast for this year is well over the 3 million mark.

And how are British travel facilities in America coping with the rush? Not very well by all accounts. Whether it is travel agents or ordinary tourists the general impression is that information is hard to come by and the system is overloaded.

"I've tried for weeks to get through to British Rail in New York. They're always engaged," a seasoned visitor to Britain told me. "I've rather given up." "British Airways! Their number is always engaged," a local travel agent said, "and we have a special trade number." Another travel agent voiced the same complaint: "Their number is consistently hard to get ... and it's not reflected in their bookings." BA flights are rarely fully-booked.

There is no shortage of answering services, the number of recorded messages from all agencies is prolific. But if there is any specific query you are out of luck.

Americans take their travel seriously and need a lot of research before embarking on foreign travel. And the information is that it is just very hard to make contact and the recorded message is no substitute for a real person at the other end of the line.

The British Travel Association has offices in New York, Chicago, Dallas and Los Angeles and says it is getting 1,000 calls a day at its New York HQ alone, with only three or four people to answer them. The strong dollar has of course affected its operation as there has been no increases in its budget to meet the great surge of interest in travel to Britain. "Increasing the number of telephone lines wouldn't help," its Press officer told me, "it's more competent people to answer the queries we need."

But BTA seems confident that Americans will continue coming to Britain, which of course shares the incredibly favourable exchange rates with most other European tourist centres. Britain gets the biggest share of American holiday makers in spite of all the obstacles. "Speaking the same language has a lot to do with it," Robin Prestage told me from its New York office, "and their fascination with our history and culture." The fact that 60 per cent. of Americans are repeat visitors bears out his optimism.

Apart from the obvious attractions of cities like London, which is still the number one choice with most Americans, there is great appeal in staying in old historic country houses. Several hotel chains which specialise in this have their American representatives in New York.

But an American acquaintance recently spent a week unsuccessfully trying to find out about staying in an English castle, as a guest, the sort of thing that country homes and castles organise. But one needs to strike lucky on the travel section of the newspapers to learn about such things in America.

The poor, understaffed and overworked British Travel Association can only refer you to its British Travel Bookshop, if you are lucky enough to get through to it.

However, perseverance pays. I know of one Anglophile who made a special trip from Washington to New York, went to the British Travel offices in Manhattan, found the place "overwhelmed with dollar-strong queues," but had nothing but praise for the staff. "I knew just what I wanted and they were so helpful," she told me.

SKETCHES BY CILLA MONTAGUE

● A slinky slither of white pure silk satin, designed by David Fielden. The long-sleeved dress is bias cut and features a soft, pussycat bow on the left shoulder. The skirt falls from a double diamond waist basque into a train. Approximately £533 from David Fielden, King's Road, London, S.W.3; Liberty, Regent Street, London, W.1.

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FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

● Twenties-style bridal dress in ivory lace featuring dropped waist and long train, sizes 10 to 14, £395. Matching full veil in lace with forehead band, £100. Designed by Grace Elliott, from Harrods, London, S.W.1.

● Edwardian-inspired gown with two-tier skirt in ivory antique Honiton lace and fine cotton net with silk petticoat and cummerbund, £575, to order. Handmade circlet of pure silk roses, £58, and face veil in antique Cornelli lace, £23. From the Lyn Lundie collection, South Row, Covent Garden, London, W.C.2.

● Elizabethan-look dress in ivory silk dupion featuring honeycomb pintucking on boned bodice and sleeves, with seed pearl and silk rosebud trim, £518. Full-length, lace-trimmed, net veil on rosebud circlet, £115. Both designed by Lyn Ashworth, Chiltern Street, London, W.1. Also available from Harrods, London, S.W.1.; Monks Dormitory, Coggleshall, Essex; Elizabeth of York; Jenners, Edinburgh.

● Flower girl's dress in layers of cotton spot net, over peach silk lining, about £120, made to order for three to eight-year-olds. Fine lace and pleated silk hat, also to order, from £30 to £35. Heart-shaped ring pillow in silk and lace, £7. All designed by Lyn Lundie.

BRIDAL SWEET

HILARY ALEXANDER FINDS THAT WEDDINGS ARE GETTING MORE ROMANTIC

COUPLES have chosen to marry on board a Boeing 747 parked on the Miami runway; on ice at the South Pole; on a cable car in San Francisco; two thousand feet up in a twin-engined plane, and a few hundred feet underground in a Spanish pot hole, by the glare of miners' lamps.

Brides and bridegrooms have said their vows underwater in swimming pools and marinas; semi-submerged in a bubbling hot tub; in handcuffs and in hospitals.

But the majority of British brides, more than 388,000 of them, according to the latest figures, want a white wedding, in church, with a long white dress, a long veil and at least two bridesmaids. Romantic their wedding day desires may be, but these soft-hearted yearnings for the perfect day of days add up to cold, hard cash, according to the 1985 survey conducted by Brides magazine.

More than £1 billion a year is now spent on weddings: the equivalent of 25 per cent. of the recent British Telecom share issue and more than the entire Falklands defence budget for the next two years.

"No matter how realistic, down-to-earth and intelligent a girl may be, she has a secret dream to be 'princess for a day'," the survey concludes. To judge from the lavish and romantic bridal collections now available, that dream will become a fairytale reality of lace, ribbons, silk and tulle for thousands of British brides this year.

The current trend, in department stores, specialist bridal boutiques and designer label collections, is distinctly nostalgic. Designers have taken inspiration from fact, fiction and fairy tale, interpreting the elaborate extravagance of the Elizabethan and Edwardian eras and the romantic fantasies of Cinderella, Juliet, or Queen Guinevere-like heroines.

At Mr Gubbins, the mood is Edwardian with high necks and ornate lace yokes predominating. Fabrics are satin, silk, organza, taffeta and velveteen, embellished with seed pearls, sequins and bows. Prices range from around £250 for a silk, off-the-shoulder style, with one petticoat, and up to £1,000 for the more ornate designs. Mr Gubbins is available at Antiquarius, King's Road, London SW3, John Lewis and selected provincial branches and many bridal specialists throughout the country.

● HIRING is an alternative worth considering. Jane Buckle Bridal Wear, established in Norfolk some four years ago, offers a specialist collection of antique lace and designer label dresses by Mr Gubbins and Grace Elliott. Hire charges are between £120 and £250 and this includes specialist dry cleaning and Red Star delivery anywhere in the country. Veils and head-dresses are available for hire for between £5 and £20. Appointments for viewings and fittings can be made in Norwich or mid-week in London. Telephone: (0603) 623991.

Designer Lyn Ashworth is in Elizabethan mood this season. She emphasises the waist with deep, fitted 'V' shapes, encrusts the bodice with seed pearls and fine honeycomb pintucking, often repeated on the huge, puffed sleeves or the hems of the billowing skirts.

Lyn Lundie is inspired entirely by the past, creating her bridal fantasies from exquisite antique lace and embroideries.

At Harrods' Bridal Department, there is an impressive designer label line-up, ranging from Anneliese Sharp's "Cinderella" dresses to the sophisticated Twenties interpretations by Melody Sachs and Grace Elliott. Most are priced between £400 and £600. Harrods is also now carrying exclusively, for the first time in Europe, bridal wear designed by Yumi Katsura.

She prints, weaves or appliqués on to the fabric her "bow" signature.

If money is no object, husband and wife team Louise Hamlin Wright and John Chapple, of Charing Heath, Ashford, Kent, can say "I will" to the most extravagant of nuptial finery fantasies. They specialise in unique bridal gowns, the stuff that dreams are made of, and which can cost up to £4,000.

They print their own fabrics—this year, orchids and tulips in white on white are favoured—and then encrust them with mother-of-pearl, hand embroidery, smocking, silk ribbons and butterflies. A one-of-a-kind, handmade dress can take up to six weeks to complete (with two fittings) and will bear its individual hand-printed label with the bride's name and date and place of the wedding.

Their head-dresses are similarly unique, being fashioned from glass, pearls, beads and handmade silk flowers. For midsummer night's dream weddings, they will design head-dresses with flowers that light up.

The bride on a budget may prefer to select from the extensive range at Ellis Bridals. Short, flapper-look wedding dresses are priced at £100 approximately and there is a lovely Carmen-style gown entirely in Nottingham lace with an off-the-shoulder bodice and train, at £135. The Ellis Bridals collection is available from Debenhams, D. H. Evans and Peter Robinson stores and The Bride, at Brent Cross.

The bride with flair who wants to do it herself can create individual style with clever "finds" at antique markets. In London, for example, the weekend stalls at Covent Garden and Camden Lock can yield up wonderful lace and Victorian blouses, which would look stunning with a long, full satin skirt.

Valuable help for the DIY bride can be found in the new publication, "The Bride's Sewing Book," by Ann Ladbury (Stanley Paul, £7·95). This comes with free patterns making up to nine different styles of bride's and bridesmaid's dresses, as well as head-dresses, veils and wedding accessories.

The book contains an A to Z of basic sewing techniques, instructions for making a small trousseau and numerous helpful hints. (Ribbon sashes, for example, should not be simply tied around the waist; they will not stay in place. Instead, sew one edge, right side of fabric, onto the waistline, fold up over the bodice and press.)

Another new book for brides is "Wedding Styles—the Ultimate Bride's Companion" (Columbus Books, £12·95). Containing more than 200 colour and black and white photographs, it covers every facet of the arrangements for the big day, suggests styles and themes for the wedding and reception and provides a useful series of checklists.

While bridal wear may remain romantic, the business of bridal gifts has now firmly entered the computer age. Harrods has recently introduced a computerised gift and bridal registry.

STIRRING UP A FEW POTTY IDEAS FOR TEA-TIME ...

Tea-time may never be that simple again. Today, the 14in high Count Dracula may be what contains the Earl Grey. The handle may be a couple of bones and the spout could be a lady's toe, a dragon's mouth, a duck's beak or a cat's paw.

Putting a touch of theatre into the traditional ritual of afternoon tea is Richard Nicholas, 40, of Wiltshire, who runs The Tea House in London's Covent Garden.

You would be lucky to find a conventional teapot in his shop, although doubtless some lurk behind the hundreds of strange and startling teapots that line the shelves.

There are teapots shaped like policemen and postboxes, jumping-jacks and Jack 'n' Jill (complete with well), camels and cloud nine, harlequins, ice-cream sundaes, one-ton weights and a teddy bear on a rocking horse—to mention but a few.

One of the most ingenious features a ballerina drinking from a bottle of champagne. The stream of liquid forms the handle, her pirouetting foot is the spout and a bow on the back of the dress is the lid.

Richard Nicholas scours the country for his teapots, tracking down small English potteries such as Quorn, in Leicestershire; Carltonware and Price and Kensington, of Stoke-upon-Trent; and one-man cottage industries established by graduate students like Karen Kinton, in Derbyshire, Richard Parrington, in Kent and Tim Mitchinson, in Stoke.

"We get a lot of tourists, particularly Japanese and French. Then there are the collectors, who are always looking for something new. We've had so much success I'm considering setting up a Teapot Club," Mr Nicholas said.

Those for whom tea-time means a nice cuppa of passion-fruit, hibiscus and rose petal or gunpowder, will find plenty to tempt their taste buds. The Tea House stocks more than 40 different teas and tisanes.

Gunpowder tea, for example, is a traditional China tea from the camellia Thai sinensis bush. Its blue-grey-green colour and fruity taste is a result of using large unfermented leaves, which are rolled into pellets and unfurl when boiling water is added.

Tisanes are brewed in the same manner as tea, but are made from herbs, not from the tea bush. "You can infuse any herb that is not poisonous," Mr Nicholas said.

Favourites include lime blossom, which is supposed to have a mild soporific effect; camomile, which Peter Rabbit was given by his mother; damiana, which is believed to have mild aphrodisiacal properties; and rosemary, which the Chinese take with a pinch of ginger as a digestive. (In Elizabethan times it was used as a hair rinse to burnish dark hair.)

There are also fruit-flavoured teas, blended in Germany with natural essences, including mango, peach, strawberry and spice, a mix of nutmeg, cinnamon and cloves.

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● Teapots for a tea party with a difference. Pictured here are teapots depicting Dracula, £27·25; and Biggles, £27·50, both made by Tim Mitchinson, for Torporware, Stoke; The Great White Hunter, £25, designed by Richard Parrington, of Kent; and the Tuxedo Cat, £14·89, from Jackdaws, of London. All are available from The Tea House, London, W.C.2. Picture by PAUL ARMIGER.

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VIETNAM'S LEGACY

IF COMMEMORATING THE ALLIED VICTORY in Europe 40 years ago provides ample opportunity for embarrassment and the bruising of sensitivities, how much more so does any attempt to mark the 10th anniversary of the fall of Saigon? In the first place, the Vietnam War was a shared American and Vietnamese experience. We in this country watched the war and its effect on American society from the sidelines. Even today, it is difficult to escape a feeling of prurience when discussing what happened. It is also the nature of the American defeat which makes the memory of Vietnam so especially troubling. Although the last American combat troops had left two years before the North Vietnamese tanks crashed into Saigon—thanks to HENRY KISSINGER's "peace with honour"—the United States suffered something far worse than a conventional military setback.

The Vietnam War was seen by many Americans as unjust and unwinnable. It divided the nation and undermined faith in its political institutions. It provoked a wave of violent protest, devastated the morale of the United States armed forces, discredited the foreign policy establishment and, through President JOHNSON's attempt to pay for both the war and his Great Society programmes, debauched the currency and destablised the world economy. Vietnam represented a blow to hubris and a loss of innocence. Above all, it made America feel bad about itself.

Inevitably, the consequences of America's Vietnamese nightmare are still with us. The "stagflation" of the 1970s and the high unemployment of today stem partly from the collapse of the Bretton Woods fixed exchange rate system under pressure from the inflationary forces which the war unleashed. As far as American foreign policy is concerned, despite the superficial "America is back" assertiveness of the Reagan Administration, there is an underlying lack of self-confidence. The bungled intervention and hasty retreat from Lebanon, the overblown and none-too-competently executed invasion of Grenada and the extreme caution with which the Administration has approached any form of military engagement in Central America suggest that RONALD REAGAN is almost as much a prisoner of Vietnam as was JIMMY CARTER. That does not mean that America and the West have been permanently weakened by the Vietnam experience. It does mean that we now understand that even the power of Superpowers is limited and that democracies cannot fight long and bloody wars without extremely good cause. That is not an altogether negligible gain.

SOCIAL CONTRACT II

MR ROY HATTERSLEY has of late moved with great caution as mastermind of Labour's economic strategy. No clarion calls have been heard for nationalisation of the commanding heights of the economy: nothing above £5 billion has been coaxed from him as a demand stimulus in his "Alternative Budget" for 1984-85. Radical measures of Meacheresque boldness—such as abolition of mortgage interest tax relief—are piously forsworn. Now, as Labour publishes its "charters" for action after 1988, the political world waits breathless for the centrepiece of the strategy: its proposals on prices, wages and unemployment. Finally we have something. Does it represent a genuine alternative to Mrs THATCHER's policies?

What Mr HATTERSLEY has offered is alarmingly close to a re-run of the 1970s: an "Economic Compact" with the unions, son of the "National Economic Assessment" which they rejected in 1983 and grandson of the "Social Contract" which was laid to rest in the winter of discontent. Some things have been learned. Labour's economic spokesman is without doubt a sentimental loyalist to incomes policy. More than most, however, he understands *Realpolitik* and the fact that certain corpses will never be exhumed. So the "economic compact" rules out both statutory and voluntary forms of wage compulsion: "imposed norms and limits offer no solution," he cries. Instead we have proposals in which caution battles with quixotry. The unions are simply to "discuss" such levels of wages as are "consistent with (Labour) principles." Since, however, the unions cannot be bulldozed into the theory or practice of wage restraint with unemployment at levels of "over four million," as Labour spokesmen fondly describe it, it is not certain what value these discussions will have.

The question arises whether there is much point in Mr HATTERSLEY appealing for a compact he will not get. There is small allure at present in offering the public a vision of the unions again enjoying a veto on all Labour economic policies, in exchange for nothing. But Labour's desperate need is still for a central agreement on wages, for without it there is no guarantee that the "massive boost" Mr HATTERSLEY seeks will do anything more than boost inflation, as in the 1970s. It is a dilemma from which there is no escape.

SITTING ON THE FENCE

CHELSEA CHAIRMAN, Mr KEN BATES, is not the strongest supporter of the Sports Minister, Mr NEIL MACFARLANE. When told of Mr MACFARLANE's unenthusiastic response to his proposal to switch on an 11-foot-high electric fence round Chelsea's pitch—the ultimate surely in Lord WHITELAW's concept of the short sharp shock—he told the Minister to "get stuffed." Mr BATES would presumably extend this advice to those others, like shadow Sports Minister, Mr DENIS HOWELL, who have also reacted with horror at Mr BATES's modest little proposal.

It will surprise no one to know that the GLC has stuck its oar into this matter. It may though disturb Mr MACFARLANE to discover that his reservations about the electric fence are shared by the likes of Mr SIMON TURNEY, chairman of the GLC's Public Services Committee. His reaction was to say "what comes next—water cannon, guards, tanks and consultant undertakers to ferry away the dead." Some, perhaps carried away in their enthusiasm to do something to stop the menace of football hooliganism, may not baulk at even these ridiculous exaggerations. It remains to be seen what Mr BATES's response will be if he accepts that he cannot actually put a current through the electrified part of the fence for Saturday's match.

It is easy to get things out of proportion when listening to the likes of Mr BATES and Mr TURNEY. But one can only have sympathy for chairmen of football clubs who have been ordered to take action by Mrs THATCHER and her Sports Minister but find their every suggestion shouted down. This too from a Government that only 18 months ago seemed to regard football hooliganism as a figment of some chairmen's imagination. The debacle of the Luton-Millwall match has put an end to that myth—no Government Minister can survive by rubbing his hands in anguish and calling it a policy.

Rival ideologies at gunpoint

As America discusses the funding of Nicaraguan insurgents, RICHARD WEST looks at the opposing forces

THE Nicaraguan capital of Managua was swarming last week with "codels," which is the diplomatic jargon for Congressional delegations from Washington. They were preparing themselves for yesterday's debate on whether or not to grant President Reagan $14 million to support the Nicaraguan "contras," the counter-revolutionary guerrillas opposed to the Marxist / Sandinista régime.

No doubt some of the Congressmen were here to confirm their prejudices, for or against the régime; and to get their photographs in the papers back home. Others made an effort to learn whether Nicaragua poses a threat to United States security and whether the contras are an effective check on the Sandinista militants.

Some of the Congressmen were taken to see the new military airbase 25 miles from Managua, and clearly it worried them. "That's a lot of cement," one said. Another who had previously been against aiding the contras now thought they were making the Sandinistas modify their conduct.

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NOT just the codels but ideologies throughout the world are once again taking an interest in a country known to the general public, if at all, as the birthplace of Bianca Jagger.

Although the Soviet Union appears to be playing down support for Nicaragua (to the annoyance, allegedly, of Fidel Castro, the Soviet surrogate in this part of the world) the Sandinistas have much support from the Left in Western Europe. Much of their aid comes from Scandinavian countries. Earlier this year our own Opposition leader, Neil Kinnock, was one of a line of foreign socialists who have visited Nicaragua to admire the revolution.

Even the London borough of Lambeth has taken up the Nicaraguan cause as part of its foreign policy at the ratepayers' expense. It has twinned itself with the Nicaraguan town of Bluefields, apparently unaware that the town is a centre of counter-revolution. Lambeth officials have lodged diplomatic protests about the behaviour of the contras.

Ordinary Nicaraguans are mystified by all the foreigners. "Are you German?" a woman asked me in Chinandega. It turned out that she thought all foreign countries, like Germany, were divided into a Communist and a non-Communist part, for she went on to ask me: "Are you from Federal England or from the English Democratic Republic?"

Congress's vote will probably not make much military difference to Nicaragua, since whatever happens in Congress, the contras will go on getting financial help from rich anti-Communist groups and individuals.

The question remains whether supporting the contras is the most effective way of stopping Soviet influence in Central America. There is little point in backing them if they do not have substantial support from the Nicaraguan public; and that is open to question.

The Sandinistas came to power on the crest of a wave of popular feeling against the old Somoza régime. Although the Sandinistas have lost much support because of their economic mismanagement and the behaviour of their bully boys, few people want a return to the other extreme.

The contras on the northern border with Honduras are under the leadership of former Somoza generals. The American Central Intelligence Agency did not, at first, demand impeccable democratic credentials. Indeed, I am told on excellent authority that, from 1981 to 1983, the CIA ran the contras' operation through agents of the Argentine intelligence service, dropping them only because, in the words of my informant, "they were taking 50 cents in the dollar for themselves."

The contras in the north have also alienated support by many acts of brutality.

The guerrillas to the south, around the border with Costa Rica, are quite a different lot. Indeed they do not call themselves contras. Many of them are former Sandinistas who fought against the Somoza régime. One of them, Eden Pastora, was once the principal hero of the Left in the fight against Somoza.

The contras, and the other guerrillas to the south, have made little impression on the capital, Managua, or on the narrow strip of land on the Pacific side where 80 per cent. of Nicaraguans live. One can drive more than 100 miles along the Pan-American Highway without seeing much sign of the military. There are no road blocks or security checks.

In towns like Chinandega, Leon and Grenada, I did not see any sign of tension. The atmosphere is far more peaceful than in El Salvador, or Northern Ireland for that matter. The contras have not employed bombing or other forms of terrorism.

The war is confined to the mountains and forests of the border and in the parts of the Atlantic coast where the population is largely Caribbean. The inhabitants of Bluefields, like many of those from its twin Lambeth, originate from Jamaica.

If the activities of the contras and the guerrillas to the south have little obvious effect in the centres of population, it nevertheless may be serving the interests of the United States. For one thing it means that the Sandinistas and their backers, the Russians and Cubans, no longer have so much money and arms to spare for El Salvador. The insurgency there is now running at a slightly lower level.

Moreover the Sandinista government is hard pressed to meet the military threat on two borders. They are very short of manpower.

Young men of military age are fleeing the country in large numbers in order to avoid conscription. This is admitted implicitly by the pro-government Press which has been warning young men of the dangers they risk in escaping their "patriotic military service." They first have to pay up to $200 to escape the country and then may be conscripted by the contras.

Nevertheless the young men continue to flee. The government has had to resort to a recruitment drive through poster hoardings and full-page advertisements in the newspapers. A grey haired matron is shown waving farewell to her brave son. The slogans are grim: "It's true that you have to leave your comforts and your family . . . but to reduce the number of losses among our patriotic fighters, we have to increase our military force."

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THE Ministry of Education has sent a circular to schools calling for two hours a week of "patriotic education." In turn, the Roman Catholic hierarchy has published an open letter in the opposition newspaper LA PRENSA protesting against a programme which it said was "orientated to the installation in children's minds of a partisan mentality, which encourages class hatred, violence, militarism and the warrior spirit."

This letter, signed by many influential churchmen, including Archbishop Obanda, spelled out a warning to the Sandinista government that it cannot rely on Nicaraguan patriotism if it insists at the same time on a Marxist ideology.

Cuba, and even little Grenada, were able to follow an ideologically rigid course because they were islands and not, therefore, vulnerable except to a seaborne or airborne attack. The Nicaraguan Marxists have to defend their revolutionary ideas on two long frontiers.

Because of that the contras have had the effect of enforcing moderation upon the Leftist elements in the government, just as, in El Salvador, the Marxist guerrillas have had the effect of enforcing moderation upon the Right-wing military men.

Lest we forget our loyal allies

IT APPEARS that our loyal Polish allies of the last war are unlikely, on present plans, to be included in the VE Day anniversary service at Westminster Abbey, while the representatives of those responsible for the horrors of Katyn will sit smugly in their pews.

Every nation and organisation involved in the liberation of Europe is meant to be represented at the ceremony. However, it seems doubtful whether the valiant contribution of Polish fighting men in the British Armed Forces will be given due recognition. Polish airmen in particular played an important part in the Battle of Britain and in providing air cover for the D-Day landings.

Because ambassadors from all the Eastern bloc countries have been invited to Westminster, including that of Communist Poland, it seems to be impossible to house both sets of Poles under one roof.

Blowing it

SIR STEPHEN HASTINGS, the former Conservative MP for Mid-Bedfordshire, caused a frisson in intelligence circles yesterday while paying tribute to the work of the late Christopher Phillpotts at a memorial service at St Martin-in-the-Fields. He boldly described him as a senior officer in the Secret Intelligence Service, which officially does not exist.

Simultaneously Sir Stephen, formerly a pillar of the Conservative establishment, blew his own cover by revealing publicly that he, too, had served in the SIS with Phillpotts in Paris in the 1950s. Compounding this security breach, he went further:

"In 1958 we discovered that General de Gaulle was about to overthrow the Fourth Republic and return to power. The British Embassy just would not believe us."

Old hands present in church complained that the secret service would never again be secret.

Gone are the days, it seems, when one's chauffeur had nothing better to do while waiting than waxing the Rolls. Guests at next month's Gieves and Hawkes bicentenary banquet have been sent a form asking whether their drivers will require refreshments. Non alcoholic, I assume.

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THE SCRAMBLE will begin for perhaps the most coveted job in British fashion journalism, the editorship of VOGUE, with the news that Beatrix Miller is moving on after 21 years.

Miss Miller told her staff yesterday that she would be leaving VOGUE by the end of the year to write a history of the magazine's parent organisation, Conde Nast. She will remain a member of the Conde Nast board and tells me that she expects to be "busier than ever."

Highly acclaimed in the world of the "glossies" Beatrix Miller is credited with successfully steering

LONDON DAY BY DAY

VOGUE through the turbulent Sixties and Seventies to a position today where profits are soaring with a claimed readership of just under two million.

Cultural imperialism

FULL-SCALE cultural warfare will break out in Athens this summer as East and West vie to show off their artistic riches to the Greeks because the city has been designated Europe's "Cultural City" for 1985.

The British Council is spending more than £100,000 to send the Royal Opera for two performances of Tippett's "King Priam" and two of Verdi's "Macbeth." Another £35,000 will go on backing the National Theatre's production of "Coriolanus."

The Soviet Union is countering this with its own jewel, the Kirov. Not to be outdone the Americans intend to win the hearts and minds of the people with the New York Philharmonic and the Washington Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Rostropovich. Virtually every other European country is also taking part.

Florence has been designated Europe's "Cultural City" next year and its citizens can expect a similar rich artistic influx.

Lord Gowrie, the Arts Minister, has just begun discreet lobbying for the award to go to a British city later in the decade. My bet is Edinburgh or London in 1987 or 1988.

One of the 12 Belgian agriculturalists currently languishing in jail after the discovery of illegal trafficking in banned hormones for fattening calves, has reputedly asked the prison authorities to put him on a vegetarian diet.

Police cover-up

A PHOTOGRAPH on the front cover of the annual report produced by the Devon and Exeter Constabulary shows an old-fashioned bobby, complete with cape and whiskers, standing under a lamp post in one of the better preserved corners of old Exeter.

Admirers of this attempt to recapture a bygone age — a contrast in the form of the force helicopter appears on the back cover—will be interested to learn that the cause of authenticity was aided by the judicious removal of a "No waiting" sign from the lamp post. The associated double yellow lines were carefully concealed by an ingenious covering of fallen leaves.

Sinking feeling

THE GENTLEMANLY, and somewhat chauvinist days of Jerome K. Jerome's "Three Men in a Boat" look like being sunk for ever.

In what is billed as the world's longest rowing race between "eights"—47 miles down the Thames—women students from St Anne's College, Oxford, will take on the men next month to raise money for a new boathouse.

The marathon, expected to take at least 11½ hours, if neither crew sinks or crashes into moored barges, will also shatter another rowing tradition—as the first ever serious race between men and women.

"I call, room service."

Out of the ether

WHERE CAN YOU get uninterrupted transmissions of "Star Wars," the latest Kung Fu movie, or a transmission of a Pink Floyd rock concert in the small hours of the morning?

The answer, it appears, is by picking up the satellite transmissions from Soviet television.

Television "hackers" who specialise in picking up transmissions from satellites used by television companies to move their pictures around the world say that the Russians now offer the richest pickings.

None of these Western treats is, of course, destined for the Soviet public. Bored Russian station engineers transmit them to fill up the long hours of staring at dials — and Kremlin bigwigs are said to show them at their weekend dachas.

Mstaken identity

"Ms," the feminist honorific that still riles many while others insist upon it as their due, seems to be on the way out in the United States.

In its annual usage survey of leading American newspapers, the Indiana School of Journalism found that "Ms" is now rejected by 71 per cent. of the dailies. Only a few years ago it was accepted usage in more than half of the country's newspapers.

Increasingly, American papers are getting round the problem by dropping "Mrs" and "Miss" altogether and referring to women by their last names only.

Get thee to a nunnery . . .

LISTED under "Westmeath" in the Whats On column of the IRISH TIMES the other day was: "Moate Dramatic Group presents 'I'll get My Man' in the Convent of Mercy Assembly Hall, Moate."

PETERBOROUGH

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Liberals' challenge on pensions

From Lord BANKS

SIR—Miss Frances Williams says that the State Earnings-Related Pension Scheme was introduced with all-party support in 1978. This is not so. (Report, April 18.)

The Liberal party consistently opposed the introduction of an earnings-related scheme and pressed for a higher basic flat-rate retirement pension instead.

On June 24, 1975, in the Second Reading Debate in the House of Lords on the Social Security Pensions Bill, which set up the scheme introduced in 1978, I argued for a higher basic pension instead of the earnings-related proposal and I complained that "future generations are expected to pay for the pensioners of their day more than we are prepared to pay for our pensioners today."

I pointed out that the oldest pensioners would be the poorest until well into the next century. In addition I urged that those not covered by an employer's occupational scheme should be able to save up to three per cent. of their earnings in a retirement annuity privately and have their contribution boosted by a matching contribution from a central account which would be financed by a levy on all employers without an occupational scheme.

I made it clear that I thought it right to "challenge the basic concept of this Bill."

Miss Williams says that the Government is about to propose the abolition of the Earnings Related Pension. The Liberal Taxation and Social Security Panel would support that with three very important provisos. They are:

1. The savings obtained through the ending of contracting out must be used to provide a substantial increase of at least 25 per cent. in the basic retirement pension.

2. Where anyone not yet retired has at the time of the abolition of the Earnings-Related Pension accumulated to the date of abolition an Earnings-Related Pension in excess of the increase of 25 per cent. in the basic he or she shall be allowed to keep the balance. Those already in receipt of Earnings-Related Pensions must continue to receive any excess over the 25 per cent. increase.

3. The central account arrangement is established for those not covered by an occupational scheme.

BANKS
Lib. Spokesman, Social Security,
House of Lords.

High moral standards

SIR—Mr M. A. Findlay's letter (April 18) does not consider the basic factor that prompts opposition to animal experimentation.

The lust for wealth, power or knowledge may all be justified in terms of gain to the beneficiary. The cost of acquisition at the expense of the exploited resource (whether people, environment or animals) may be quite unacceptable. That is why the valuable research on humans by eminent German scientists was condemned at Nuremberg.

It may be possible to determine the effectiveness of pain-relieving drugs for the benefit of other primates by testing them on humans exposed to varying sources and intensities of pain. Will your correspondent volunteer to be a subject for the benefit of future generations of animals? If not, the only justification for the reverse situation is that we have the power to compel their sacrifice for our well-being.

Other species that have over-exploited environment or prey have faced population collapse and even extinction. Apparent altruism may have a greater evolutionary significance than we presently realise.

CYRIL ROSEN
London, N.20.

Philby's spying role

SIR—In Peterborough (April 17) you describe me as having made a *volte face* on a manuscript by Morris Riley on Philby's alleged activities.

There was none. The first chapters on which he asked my opinion were largely based on overt material and were quite interesting reading. But, I warned him politely that he was overestimating Philby's role in the Soviet Middle East policy.

His two further chapters were the most complete and utter nonsense I have ever read about British intelligence work and I told him so. If I am asked my opinion I give a frank and honest one.

G. K. YOUNG
London, W.14.

Electric fencing is fit only for cattle

SIR—The decision of Chelsea Football Club to install an electrified fence at Stamford Bridge ground is not only stupid but completely ineffective.

If Mr Ken Bates, the chairman, is a practical farmer he should realise this.

I have had electric fences for over 50 years, in fact I am one of the pioneers in the United Kingdom. They are only effective when used for cattle, their four legs giving them perfect contact with the soil.

Except in very dry conditions, anyone wearing thick soled footwear will receive very little shock, and it would be easy to cut the wire with insulated pliers.

Football and many of those who support it have reached the level of the gutter. No doubt we shall all witness a degrading rendering of the "God Save the Queen" on Cup Final day, that is those who switch on.

Mr Bates and all Football League chairmen would be better occupied disciplining their players, and paying them far less money for acting like a bunch of spoiled little boys whose behaviour on the field is responsible for what we now see on the terraces.

FRED A. L. RICHMOND
Washford, Somerset.

Copyright in sound

SIR—It is disconcerting to find in a respected national newspaper an article headed "All part of the service," by Evelyn Cox (April 15) whose author not only advocates non-payment of dues to public authorities but also appears unable to distinguish between the objectionable practice of "inertia selling" and a polite inquiry as to whether somebody is using someone else's property without payment.

Her allegation that the Performing Right Society invoices boarding house proprietors without first ascertaining whether they are using its members' copyright music is unfounded. No invoice is ever issued to a music-user by the PRS unless there is first a licence contract in force.

Many small businesses which use music to entertain their customers or staff are genuinely unaware of their copyright obligations. To characterise the necessary job of enlightening them as a campaign "against" them is unfair, and to suggest that, because the Government has been less than successful in its attempts to suppress pirate radio, the PRS should cease to try to protect its members' property as regards lawful public performance is a *non sequitur* to say the least.

M. J. FREEGARD
Chief Executive,
Performing Right Soc.,
London, W.1.

Chance for back-bench

From Mr DAVID MADEL, MP (Con.)

SIR—Your sketch writer Mr Edward Pearce, in his rush to amuse himself and your readers (April 19), said that I had advocated a piece of ruthless demanning by suggesting a three-day Parliamentary week.

In fact what I said was "as a long period of tranquility in legislation is needed, could the Government, for the remainder of this Parliament, manage on a three-day week, leaving the other two days to back-benchers?"

This would give more opportunities to us, as back-benchers, to promote our own Bills and debate our own motions.

A pity that Mr Pearce did not give Mr Biffen's reply, which was: "His proposals are interesting, and I shall no doubt bear them in mind for the next session."

DAVID MADEL
House of Commons.

'Dracula' of 1939

SIR—I recall Sir John Gielgud's "Farewell to the Lyceum" speech at curtain-fall after the final performance of his production of "Hamlet" in July, 1939.

Nevertheless, this was not the last stage show there, before its conversion to a ballroom (report, April 10). The play "Dracula" was staged there in August, 1939, until all theatres closed on the outbreak of the 1939-45 War.

VERNON GOSLIN
Ashford, Middx.

Legislation for endangered countryside

SIR—On Friday the Government will have an opportunity to redeem a situation that has undermined its claim to be the champions of Britain's landscape heritage.

On that day Dr David Clark's Private Member's Wildlife and Countryside (Amendment) Bill returns to the floor of the House of Commons for its Report stage; MPs will have a chance to reinstate the crucially important clauses removed from it during Committee.

The background to Dr Clark's Bill explains the bafflement and dismay felt by many at what appears to be a reversal of the Government's recent responsiveness to the conservation argument.

Almost from its inception it was clear that the 1981 Wildlife and Countryside Act would do little to prevent the continuing disappearance of Britain's traditional landscape. Public concern at the fate of the countryside was reflected in mounting political pressure on the Government to do something before it was too late.

In November, 1983, Labour MP Peter Hardy put forward a Private Member's Bill to close some of the loopholes in the 1981 Act. Mr William Waldegrave, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Environment, persuaded him to withdraw his Bill on the grounds that the Government intended to introduce legislation of its own.

However, the Queen's Speech in November 1984 made no reference to any countryside legislation in the forthcoming session and the integrity of the Government's assurances was called into question. The Commons Environment Select Committee told Mr Waldegrave that the Ministry of Agriculture should "fundamentally change its approach so that resources are redirected away from environmentally damaging operations and towards conservation."

Mr Waldegrave assured the Select Committee that his Department would help with a Private Member's Bill that sought to close the loopholes in the Act. If such a Bill sought to address the wider issues raised by the Select Committee then, provided a consensus between all the interested parties could be achieved, the Government would support it.

In drafting his Bill Dr Clark was careful to ensure that his proposals had the backing of the National Farmers' Union, the Country Landowners' Association and many back-bench Tory MPs.

It was clause four that went to the heart of the Select Committee recommendations and would have allowed the integration of environmental and agricultural policies. The new clause accepted unequivocally the need for the continued prosperity of the farming community but required the Ministry of Agriculture to "further the conservation and enhancement of the countryside." The provisions of this crucial clause have the approval of the NFU.

Dr Clark's Bill had an unopposed Second Reading on Feb. 8, having received an enthusiastic welcome from all sides of the House. But scarcely a month later, when the Bill reached its Committee stage on March 6, the Government used its majority to delete clause 4 and to so amend another clause, that of badger protection, as to render it useless.

Tory MPs who had previously given warm support to the clauses deleted in Committee were either silent or declared that their minds had been changed by the Government's argument.

As Mr Waldegrave expressed them, the reasons for the Government's decision rang distinctly hollow: the badger clause would annoy the hunting lobby and had to be amended—yet the original clause had been drafted by the Home Office and the Government only sought to amend it at 11.15 on the evening before the Committee stage. Clause four had to go because the Ministry of Agriculture was already doing so much for conservation it would be unfair to lay a statutory duty upon it to do more.

The Ministry of Agriculture has placed the Government in an impossible situation. Public opinion and political pressure oblige the Government to provide the endangered countryside with effective legislation. For the sake of the long-term security of our countryside it is to be hoped that back-bench Tories care enough about the Government's reputation to ensure that clause four is voted back into Dr Clark's admirable Bill this coming Friday.

DAVID LOVIBOND
London, S.W.3.

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British cities race for chance to host 1992 Olympics

By DAVID GRAVES

THE RACE between British cities which want to stage the 1992 Olympic Games began yesterday when London and Birmingham joined Manchester in announcing they were preparing applications.

Mr Dick Palmer, general secretary of the British Olympic Association, said that unless these came "up to scratch," none would be submitted for consideration to the International Olympic Committee.

He said that considerable building of facilities would be needed in all three cities.

The BOA would consider detailed bids, examining facilities, plans for an Olympic village and financial backing, and make a decision on July 12.

If a British city is considered suitable and submitted to the IOC then it will compete for the votes of the committee's 90 members against applications from Barcelona, Paris, Rotterdam-Amsterdam, Belgrade, New Delhi and Brisbane.

The Dutch and the Spanish are said to have spent more than £1 million each on promoting their cities and plan to intensify their campaigns before a decision is taken by the committee in October next year.

Up to £1 bn

Sir Alan Traill, Lord Mayor of London, has written to the British Olympic Association submitting the capital's preliminary bid to stage the games.

The announcement contained no details of financing, although it is estimated that the cost of staging the games would be between £700 million and £1 billion.

London's bid was made by the City of London Corporation on behalf of the capital because the Greater London Council is to be abolished in April next year.

The capital staged the games in 1908 and 1948.

Birmingham is investing £110,000 on a feasibility study and promotions campaign to hold the games at centres in the city and in Notitngham and Leicester.

Build a dream

Mr Bryan Bird, chairman of the city council's leisure committee, said yesterday: "I really do believe that Birmingham can make this dream come true. Our bid will be the best in Britain."

The Manchester Olympic Bid Committee, a consortium which has been on a fact-finding trip to Los Angeles, where last year's games were held, said it believed it could make a "credible and powerful" bid to stage the Olympics.

In Scotland, the Glasgow Sports Promotion Council has recommended that the city considers making a bid, but the matter has yet to be discussed by councillors.

Although the overnment would not have a direct say in which British city would be put forward, it is known that Mr Macfarlane, Sports Minister, was impressed at the way Los Angeles handled the Olymics, funded by private capital and making a profit of £160 million.

The cost of staging the games could be set against lucrative television rights and the money that thousands of foreign visitors would spend.

Mr Palmer told BBC Radio News: "There is building to be done at all three cities. One of the problems is that the scale of the games is such that probably around 14,000 competitors would need to be housed in an Olympic village.

The Government had not indicated, at this stage, that it would give financial support to any bid. Private finance would have to be raised for the building of facilities, Mr Palmer said.

INDEFINITE BAN ON BBC USING PRINCESS FILM

By Our Television Staff

A High Court judge yesterday continued indefinitely a ban on the BBC using the exclusive interview by TV-am of Princess Michael of Kent.

A full trial will follow of TV-am's claim for damages against the BBC, which showed the interview on "Breakfast Time" shortly after it was broadcast on the commercial station, and replaced TV-am's insignia with its own.

Mr Justice Walton last week described the pirating of the interview as "the most scandalous" breach of copyright.

PEPSI GLOAT AT COCA COLA

By TONY ALLEN-MILLS in New York

WAR broke out in the soft drink industry yesterday when the Coca Cola company announced that, for the first time since it was introduced 99 years ago, the world's biggest-selling fizzy drink would have a new flavour.

The secret Cola formula invented by Dr John Pemberton in 1886 is being given a sweeter blend to help Coca Cola fight off growing competition from its arch rival, Pepsi.

The announcement yesterday was described by soft drink industry executives as "like painting the White House green."

'Other guy blinked'

Although Coca Cola called the change in flavour "the most significant soft-drink development in history," jubilant executives at Pepsi called it an admission of defeat in the battle over a multi-billion-dollar market.

"After 87 years of going at it eyeball to eyeball, the other guy just blinked," read a Pepsico Press advertisement yesterday.

Battling for a share of the spotlight, Pepsi gave an extra day off to its workforce to celebrate. "The announcement by Coke is clearly an admission that it's not the real thing," a Pepsi Press release crowed.

Coca Cola decided on a new taste for Coke despite agreement among marketing men that it is still the most popular soft drink in the world. At the end of 1984, Coca Cola held 21·7 per cent. of the $28 billion (£21·9 billion) soft drink market, compared to 18·8 per cent. for Pepsi.

Some industry experts speculated yesterday that Coca Cola executives had wanted to introduce the change sooner, but could not proceed until the death this year of Robert Winship Woodruff, the company's patriarch and chief executive.

Woodruff, nicknamed "the cigar," turned Coca Cola from a modest domestic concern into a giant world conglomerate. He was reported as saying he would allow a change in the formula only over his dead body.

While it will take some months for the new Coke to be distributed to retailers, one American State senator decided in advance he did not like the development.

Said Senator Julian Bond of Georgia: "You don't tug on Superman's cape, you don't pull the mask off the Lone Ranger and you don't change the formula of Coke."

The Princess of Wales enjoying her walkabout in Florence yesterday.

Princess's shopping 'for Prince William'

By ALAN COPPS in Florence

THE Prince and Princess of Wales looked out across the Renaissance city of Florence yesterday from the terrace of a thousand-year-old church and then went souvenir shopping, apparently with young Prince William in mind.

Among the Princess's purchases was a pretty pink ceramic piggy bank. The impromptu shopping trip followed a visit to the marble church of San Miniato, set on a wooded hillside which commands one of the most impressive vistas of the city.

Its foundation dates back to 1013, according to the abbot, Monsignor Aldinuppi, who showed the Prince and Princess the treasures of the Romansque basilica, which include a 13th century pavement mosaic and precious frescoes of the saints.

He then led them to a tiny room in the adjoining monastery, from which they could look out of a window across the crowd of several hundred gathered on the terraces and across the winding Arno to the characteristic sun-lit red roof-tops of Tuscany, dominated by the green and white marble bulk of the cathedral.

There was a brief friendly walkabout, typical of the warmth of this journey. During it Prince Charles, with a gallant Latin gesture, kissed the hand of an elderly woman who had rushed to greet him with tears of emotion.

Lived in Nottingham

Signora Gioconda Ferraioli, 64, said: "I lived in Nottingham for 20 years and was so keen to see him. We shook hands, and he held my hand as he spoke. Then as he turned to go he kissed me. I feel like a princess myself."

As the couple moved across the terrace towards the stylish Maserati in which they have ravelled, the Princess — dressed in a striking red outfit with pencil skirt and long jacket — called out "Darling," and gestured towards the tiny shop run by the monks.

Said the Abbot: "She was just like any wife. She did the shopping while he stood by, looking on."

The Princess chose the piggy bank, a ceramic plant pot, a jar of honey, and a bottle of liquor distilled by the monks from 25 herbs and said to have health-giving proporeties.

Full text of appeal tribunal ruling on Princess's father

THE full text of the Upper Bavaria Appeal Tribunal decision, delivered on May 14, 1948, in the appeal by Princess Michael's father, Baron Gunther von Reibnitz, is as follows.

Upper Bavaria Appeal Tribunal. Moosburg-Dachau Senate — Moosburg, 14 May, 1948.
Appeals Register Number 859/48.
Reference Number at 1st Instance: 9464.

PURSUANT to the de-Nazification and de-Militarisation Law of 5 March, 1946, the Upper Bavaria Appeal Tribunal, Moosburg-Dachau Senate, comprising:

1. Dr Alfred Lochner—President
2. Joseph Gerkens—Judge
3. Martin Fischer—Judge

Renders the following judgment in the written proceedings against Freiherr Gunther von Reibnitz, born on 8 Sept, 1894, in Schonblick, landowner and insurance agent, of Percha near Starnbergs.

1 That on appeal by the accused, the judgment of the Court of the Moosburg Labour and Detention Camp of 24 April, 1947 be set aside.

2 That the accused be placed among the category "nominal party members."

3 That the proceedings be stayed.

4 That the costs of both instances be borne by the State.

5 That the accused pay an administrative fee of DM50.

6 That the establishment of the value of the dispute remain reserved.

(Official seal missing) The Tribunal President, sgd. Dr Lochner (Dr Lochner).

The Judges:
Signed Joseph Gerkens
Signed Martin Fischer

REASONS:

Pursuant to the judgment of the Court of the Moosburg Labour and Detention Camp of 24 April, 1947, the accused was placed in the category of "less incriminated persons."

The accused appealed against this decision within time and in proper form. The appeal is admissible: Articles 46 and 47.

The Appeal Senate of Moosburg-Dachau is competent to render a judgment on the appeal, Article 29b.

Facts established

The public prosecutor upon application of Article 17 VIII, petitioned in Bx proceedings for the accused to be classified within Group 4.

The accused petitioned for exoneration.

The accused, as a member of the party from 1931 to 1945, as a member of the Cavalry-SS from 1934 to 1944, Sturmbannführer from 1937, and Regional Chief Ranger from 1937 until 1944, comes within part A D II 4, E 1 2 and G II 5e of the Appendix to the Law and is regarded as being within Group I.

Reference is made to the facts established by the court at first instance.

The presumption of Article 6 was rightly regarded as disproved.

The presumption of Article 10 was however also disproved. The accused joined the party in 1931 in the belief that National Socialism would bring about economic recovery. Moreover, he continued to be politically inactive and accepted no party office.

As a horse breeder and devotee of equestrian sport, the accused became a member of the Cavalry-SS in 1934.

The accused had been an active hunter from early childhood. He was appointed Chief Ranger and in 1934 became Regional Chief Ranger.

As such, he was promoted on an honorary basis to SS-Sturmführer. Following his promotion in the Wehrmacht (the regular German army) the accused was appointed first as SS-Sturmführer and later on as SS-Sturmbannführer, corresponding to his rank of Captain.

The accused never served with the SS in such rank. As such, he had no authority to give orders of any kind and had merely the right to wear the uniform and hold the rank (doc. 44). It was thus a matter of a pure honorary rank.

Finding refuge

Even in his capacity as Regional Chief Ranger in 1934, the accused came into conflict with the National Socialist party authorities — a conflict which intensified over the years such that in 1944, he was dismissed from the ranks of the SS for disciplinary reasons and transferred to the infamous Dirlewanger Special detachment (doc. 42).

The accused managed to avoid entry into this detachment by seeking and finding refuge with his regiment in the regular army. In his capacity as Regional Chief Ranger, the accused never allowed himself to be influenced by party policies (doc. 27).

He made no secret of his disappointment over political developments and frequently found himself in difficulties with Gauleiter Bracht (doc. 28). His emphatically devout outlook incurred the displeasure of the party (doc. 29). The accused did not allow himself to be guided by political considerations when appointing chief rangers such that, as hitherto, Jews were permitted to participate in hunting activities (doc. 31).

He never made any secret of his desire to stand apart from the party (doc. 36). As early as 1940, he expressed the views that one could only hope that Germany would lose the war since that was the only way in which the Nazis' predominance could be broken (doc. 38).

The accused concerned himself to the greatest possible extent with the well-being of foreign workers (doc. 109). He went well beyond the normal limits in helping those subjected to racial persecution (docs. 1 and 2).

Nominal part

The evidence has not adduced references to the effect that the accused should be regarded as a militarit or as having raped any nominal party members since he took only a nominal part in National Socialism and lent it only insignificant support. The accused was not a member of any organisation condemned as criminal in the Nuremburg judgment.

The petition for exoneration could not be allowed. The acts enumerated in the written pleadings of 26 Nov., 1946 (doc. 20) meet the requirements of Article 39 II in their entirety. They are insufficient, however, to meet the concept of active reistance within the meaning of Article 13.

According to the medical appraisal by the provincial insurance office of Upper Bavaria (doc. 108), the accused falls within Disabled Category III. Pursuant to Section 1, sub-paragraph 2 of the Law of 5 Feb., 1947 (Christmas Amnesty) the proceedings had to be stayed.

The accused therefore is equivalent to a non-accused person.

COSTS: Fee Ordinance, para 5.

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The President of the Senate
Sgd. Dr Lochner
(Dr Lochner)

TO: Freiherr Gunther von Reibnitz.

Percha, near Starnberg.

This judgment has become final. The correctness of the official copy is certified. Dachau, 14/5/1948. The Office of the Office of the Appeal Tribunal for Upper Bavaria, Dachau Senate.

(signature)
Head of the Office.

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Buyers play waiting game

ACCOUNT: April 15-April 26.
PAY DAY: May 7.
BARGAINS TRANSACTED: 23,353.
RISES: 178. **FALLS:** 519.
UNCHANGED: 965.
EQUITY TURNOVER (April 22): Number of bargains 18,821; value £225·08 million. Shares traded: 114·1 million.

F.T. STOCK INDICES, April 23, 1985

	Index	Change	1985 High	1985 Low
Indust. Ord.	959·6	−12·0	1024·5	928·7
Govt. Secs.	81·73	−0·15	82·00	78·02
Gold Mines	507·6	−5·2	536·9	439·5
Fixed Int.	86·17	−0·02	86·19	82·17
Ord. Div. p.c.	4·74	−0·06	5·29	4·22
Earn Yld p.c.	11·96	−0·16	12·39	9·00
FT-SE 100:	1284·9	−10·0	1309·9	1206·1

OPERATORS in the industrial sections of the London stock market were yesterday quite happy to play a waiting game. With the next reduction in domestic interest rates looking to be some way off, and rather dependent on whether or not there is a downward move across the Atlantic, dealers were adopting a cautious stance.

Aside from this, markets were a little nervous about the first-quarter results due from Imperial Chemical Industries tomorrow. These have been subject to a recent downgrading by brokers, with some now pitching their forecasts as low as £270 million compared with the £300 million thought attainable earlier this year.

In addition, dealers had to contend with the possibility that major cement manufacturer Blue Circle Industries might take the opportunity to seek sizeable funds via a rights issues when the company reports annual results also tomorrow.

Another unhelpful factor was that a number of jobbing firms are approaching the end of their financial years and are therefore reluctant to take too much stock on their books. Against this background, quotations naturally fell on comparatively light offerings.

The "30" index opened 11·5 down and trade around twelve points lower throughout the day before closing this much off at 959·6, while the wider-based "100" index measurement finally settled 10 points down at 1284·9, having been 1282·7 earlier.

There was little to write home about in government securities which showed loses of £$^3_8$ or £$^1_4$ at the shorter?end of the market.

In the blue chip range, **Blue Circle** encountered small nervous offerings and cheapened 10 to 475p amid rights issue worries, while **I C I** gave up a more modest 5 to 769p. Elsewhere, **B I C C** came on offer and shed 15 to 255p, **Hawker Siddeley** eased 8 to 427p, while **Glaxo** gave up £$^1_8$ to £11$^3_4$. **Grand Metropolitan** cheapened 5 to 285p, as did **Beechams**, at 353p.

Apart from Blue Circle, the building sector featured troubled **Burnett & Hallamshire** which shed 5 to 50p on news of arrangements concluded with the group's United Kingdom lending banks and the sale of UK Petroleum Products to **Powell Duffryn** for £10·3 million. The latter slipped 7 to 258p.

Buying in anticipation of figures due next month was good for a gain of 2 to 254p in **Baggeridge Brick**, but **M J Gleeson** met small nervous offerings in front of today's interim figures and eased 4 to 232p.

Bank of Scotland, after the trauma of Monday's rights issue call, softened further to 439p before recovering to the overnight level of 444p. Elsewhere, the high street clearers rallied from initial falls to close with a mixed look. **Barclays** settled unchanged at 357p, after 352p, **Midland** 5 off at 354p, and **National Westminster** a couple of pence cheaper at 602p, after 599p. **Lloyd's**, by contrast, put on 2p to 549p, having been down to 542p earlier.

Leading breweries trended easier in the absence of fresh support, but among regional issues, **Matthew Brown** were weak and gave up 7 to 388p on fears that **Scottish & Newcastle's** offer for the company will attract a Monopolies reference.

Thorn E M I highlighted the electrical sector and eased to 414p on profit-taking before recovering to close 12 cheaper at 422p. Elsewhere, however, **Microlease** revived and jumped 18 to 368p in response to the encouraging trading statement, while **I N S T E M** were wanted and put on 5 to 270p on the new contract.

In the property section, **Stockley** shed a couple of pence to 75p following the agreement to acquire Equity Trust's 22·4 p.c. stake in **Stock Conversion**, 8 lower at 485p. A more detailed appraisal of **Percy Bilton's** recent results left the shares 8 down at 220p.

A resurgence of speculative support provided the spur to **Rowntree Mackintosh**, finally 10 better at 415p, after 425p, but **British Aerospace** fell out of favour and gave up 12 at 403p.

Yesterday's two newcomers to the unlisted securities market made rather uninspiring debuts. **Electron House**, an electronic component distribution group whose shares were placed at 117p, began life at 126p and fluctuated within narrow confines prior to closing at 121p.

Maxiprint, a maker of equipment to simplify the production of high-quality colour photographic enlargements, opened at 29p and fell to 26p before settling at the placing price of 28p.

Also on the U S M, **Klark-Teknik** hardened to 153p in reply to the half-yearly figures but later eased to close 7 cheaper at 143p as profit-taking took its toll. **Stat-Plus Group** touched 138p immediately following the preliminary results before ending the session a penny firmer at 136p.

The annual results from **Clement Clarke** proved disappointing and the shares fell to 90p prior to closing 10 off at 95p, but **British Empire Securities** hardened a penny to 28$^1_2$p despite the £22 million rights issue which accompanied the interim results. Still reflecting favourable comment on the furniture industry, **Parker Knoll A** advanced afresh to 190p, an improvement of 7.

The majority of stores succumbed to light profit-taking with **Woolworth Holdings** 16 lower at 819p, and **M F I** 10 off at 280p.

The excellent set of preliminary results from **Moss Bros** was well discounted by the market and the shares fell 20 to 391p. By way of contrast, **Stead & Simpson** attracted speculative support and advanced 6 to 176p.

The oil share market was well and truly in the doldrums with double-digit losses in evidence by the close of trading. **British Petroleum** came on offer and fell 15 to 533p. **Shell** cheapened 14 to 708p, **Tricentrol** 13 to 245p, and **Ultramar** 10 to 250p.

Among second-line issues, however, **Falcoln Resources** stood out with a rise of 10 to 475p as buyers anticipated the results due tomorrow.

Gold shares went into reverse against the background of lower bullion, finally $2 off at $526·50, but favourable Australian advices found a ready response in the likes of **Broken Hill Proprietary**, 24 ahead at 299p, and **Australian Consolidated Minerals**, 14 to the good at 68p.

Lower tea prices undermined dealings in **Williamson**, 10 lower at 495p, and **Eastern Produce**, similary down at 538p.

Tailpiece

THE shares of **Helene of London**, recommended here eight months ago at 21p, have made satisfactory progress to their present 26p in line with success in the company's business.

This fashion-wear manufacturer and distributor enjoyed a 40 p.c. advance in profits to £1·4 million in the year to January 31, 1985 and the board, headed by Monty Burkeman, has mounted expansion moves involving the acquisition of the outstanding 41 p.c. of Barry Artist, the blouse and separates maker.

The company's children's wear divisions should continue to make increasing contributions to profits and the signs are that trading conditions, now reported to be buoyant, will ensure another good result for the current trading period.

The dividend yield is still quite attractive at 8·1 p.c. and the shares seem deserving of a "firm hold" rating.

SHIPPING

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
295	226	British & Com	282	−3
121	97	Fisher, J.	105	−10
625	530	Graig Shipping	550	..
97	83	Hunting Gibson	92	..
60$^1_2$	52$^1_2$	Jacobs, John	57$^1_2$	−1$^1_2$
4	2$^1_4$	London & Over	2$^1_4$	..
24	10	Lyle, S.S.	12$^1_2$	−$^1_2$
42	36	Mersey Dck U	38$^1_2$	..
95	36	Milford Docks	66	−5
196	135	Ocean Transpt	181	−7
416	327	P & O Defd	348	−3
30	12	ReardonSmith	16	..
103	74	Runciman, W.	89	−1

TOBACCOS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
365	318	BAT Inds	328	+3
93$^1_2$	75	Carroll Inds	88	−3
220	176	Imps	185	..
202	169	Rothmans	176	..

PLANTATIONS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
238	218	AngloIndonesn	222	..
£10$^1_4$	500	Assam Doom	940	..
157	125	Bertam Holds	155	..
117$^1_2$	99	Cons. Plant	..	..
145	110	HarrisonsMly	127	+1
97	80	Highlnd&Low	81	+1
68	52	Jitra Rubber	62	..
106	86	KualaLumpur	87	+1
92	75	Kulim	75	−1
£19	£14$^1_4$	Lawrie Plant	£17$^1_4$	..
132	111	Malakoff	112	+1
310	245	McLeod Russ	248	−7
815	730	Moran	795	−10
89	74	Rowe Evans	77	..
730	665	Westrn Dooar	678	..
630	490	Williamson,H	493	−10

RIGHTS ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or −
82	Aaronson Bros (nil pd)	23 pm	..
60	RBA Grp Ord (nil pd)	22pm	−1
102	Grampian Hld (nil pd)	18 pm	..
285	LASMO (nil pd)	27 pm	−8
A$2.2	Oil Search (nil pd)	3 pm	..
375	Scapa Group (nil pd)	38 pm	..
220	Wolstenholme (nil pd)	78 pm	−4

RECENT ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or −
100	Alexandra Wkwr Plc	167	..
125	Aspen	171	..
155	Assoc Steel Distribrs	168	..
82	B!s Group	72	..
185	Bedford William	175	..
10	Bennett Fountain	12$^1_2$	..
150	Berkley Tech	136	..
90	Blue Bird Toys	132	..
105	Consol. Tern. Inv.	89	..
85	Crown International	77	−1
117	Electron	121	..
100	German Small Units	101	..
145	Hillsdown Hlds	148	..
129	Howard Group	188	..
145	Mann & Co	172	..
100	Mayhew Foods	120	−2
28	Maxiprint	28	..
175	New London Oil	195	−5
135	Osborne & Little	208	..
	P&O Conv. Pref. 6·5%	110	−1
150	Penney & Giles Intl	175	−2
100	Pepe	87	−1
	Pleasurama 7% C. Prf	119	..
92	Process Systems	74	..
	Racal 7% conv	104	..
	Santens 11% C. Ln 94-02	175	−2
110	Scott Greenham	107	−1
100	Sharrocks	88	..
128	Sims Catering Butchrs	162	..
175	Sintrom	175	..
68	Spaiax TV	100	−2
99-99.5	Spain (Kof) 11% Ln 2010	136	−$^1_8$
174	Sunaper Comp	215	..
	T & S Stores	185	..
120	Wayne Kerr	146	−3

TOURIST RATES

Australia	1·95 dollars
Austria	26·50 schillings
Belgium	76·40 francs
Canada	1·71$\frac{1}{2}$ dollars
Denmark	13·73 kroner
Finland	8·05 markkaa
France	11·58 francs
Germany	3·79 marks
Greece	*169·00 drachmae
Holland	4·30 guilders
Iceland	*49·00 kronur
Ireland	1·23 punt
Israel	1,150 shekel
Italy	*2,445 lire
Japan	316 yen
Malta	*0·58$\frac{1}{2}$ pounds
New Zealand	2·78 dollars
Norway	11·04 kroner
Portugal	*211·00 escudos
South Africa	2·45 rand
Spain	*209·25 pesetas
Sweden	11·15 kronor
Switzerland	3·14 francs
Turkey	520·00 lira
United States	1·27$\frac{1}{2}$ dollars
Yugoslavia	*300·00 dinars

Rates indicate approximate foreign currency bank notes obtainable for sterling in Britain.
* Subject to limit.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

		Close	Day's range	Contracts traded	High-Low
Long Gilt	June	107·07	107·19—107·06	2510	107·29—101·28
	Sept	—	—	—	110·31—109·26
US T-bond	June	71·27	72·08—71·29	1425	72·29—67·28
	Sept	—	—	—	71·12—67·16
3 month £	June	88·31	88·51—88·50	1547	90·13—87·73
	Sept	89·01	89·18—89·01	341	89·30—88·00
3 month Euro-dollar	June	91·15	91·25—91·10	4159	91·32—89·22
	Sept	90·54	90·62—90·54	813	90·74—88·18
Sterling	June	1·2507	1·2720—1·2550	428	1·2905—1·0000
	Sept	—	—	—	1·2915—1·0685
D-mark	June	0·3280	0·3337—0·3278	194	0·3379—0·2911
	Sept	—	—	—	0·3247—0·3045
Swiss Franc	June	—	—	—	0·4059—0·3465
	Sept	—	—	—	0·4058—0·3850
Yen	June	—	—	—	0·4012—0·4010
	Sept	—	—	—	131·00—112·00
FT-SE 100	June	128·55	129·00—128·50	343	131·40—120·40
	Sept	—	—	—	

Contracts specifications include: Long-Gilt—notional 20 year stock with 12 pc coupon and face value of £50,000. US T-bond—notional 15 year stock with 8pc coupon and face value of $100,000. 3 month sterling eurodollars—£500,000, US$ 1 million with cash settlement option. Currencies are quoted against the dollar with face values of £25,000, Dm 125,000 Swf. 125,000 and Yen 12,500,000. FT-SE 100 quoted one-tenth the index with face value of £25 per index point. Settlement cash only.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

TOTAL CONTRACTS: 8,064

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Babcock pays $33m for U.S. Caster group

BABCOCK International is expanding its North American interests by paying $33m (£26·3m) cash to buy Faultless Caster Corporation from New Axia Holding Corporation of the United States, it was announced yesterday.

Fastener is one of the world's biggest manufacturers of casters for industrial, office and domestic furniture and also makes tilt and swivel parts for chairs. Last year sales were $65·2m (51·9m) and pre-tax profits $7·87m (£6·27m).

Kwik-Fit higher

KWIK-FIT (Tyres & Exhausts) has recovered strongly from a poor first half to close the year to Feb. 28 with pre-tax profits marginally higher at £4·23m, against £4·15m.

Turnover increased from £55·3m to £61·2m and the final dinvidend is to be raised from 0·7843p net to 0·8411p, payable May 31, for a total of 1·7254p against 1·5686p.

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MFI documents

FORMAL documents for the £606m Associated Dairies bid for MFI Furniture Group went out yesterday. An egm of Dairies shareholders has been called for Friday, May 10 to approve and implement the merger. The first closing date former offer is Tuesday, May 14.

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Lloyd's Life up

LLOYD'S LIFE, the company Lloyd's of London is in the process of selling for around £100m, showed a surplus of income over outgoings of £74·4m in its year to end-September, a 51 p.c. increase on its previous year.

Though, as chairman Robert Kiln points out, there were distorting events last year, including the removal of tax allowance on life premiums.

Six bidders have been in talks about buying the company and a decision is expected before the end of this month.

Export launch

A NEW export finance company Exfineo, which will offer 100 p.c. credit of the insured value of goods to companies, was launched yesterday with initial funds of £109m and Electra Investment Trust, Legal and General, Arab Banking Corporation and First Pacific Holdings as its shareholders.

S & P tops £7m

UNIT TRUST group Save & Prosper, in which merchant bankers Robert Fleming has a 58·5 p.c. stake, increased pre-tax profits to £7·46m last year from £6·64m in 1983. Total dividends increased by 10·6 p.c. to £2·46m.

Royal Bank floater

ROYAL Bank of Scotland has issued the first £100m tranche of a planned £200m floating rate note issue. The 20-year notes, which carry a very fine margin of just 1/16 p.c. over the cost of funds in the London interbank market, will rank as secondary capital under Bank of England rules and are expected to provide a welcome boost to Royal Bank's capital ratios.

Merchant bankers S. G. Warburg managed the issue which attracted support from a wide range of City institutions, including several major foreign banks.

The remaining £100 of the issue is to be offered in the form of a "tap" as and when the demand arises.

German peak

SHARE values in West Germany yesterday tested fresh highs on the back of optimistic reports emerging from the Hanover Trade Fair but subsequently eased on profit-taking. The 60-share Commerzbank index, set at mid-session, caught the day's best levels and edged up to a peak of 1,230·4.

Gold drops $2

THE LONDON gold price closed $2 weaker at $326·50 an ounce yesterday following the renewed strength of the dollar.

WORLD MARKETS

AMSTERDAM (ANP CBS Gen)	206·40	− 0·80
BRUSSELS (Stock Index)	1,051·86	+ 7·55
FRANKFURT (Commerzbank)	1,230·40	+ 0·30
HONGKONG (Hang Seng)	1,511·63	+24·23
PARIS (CAC General)	213·30	− 1·50
SINGAPORE (Straits Times)	795·04	+ 7·05
SYDNEY (All Ord.)	859·90	+11·40
TOKYO (Nikkei Dow)	12,124·14	−55·78
ZURICH (Credit Suisse)	341·30	− 3·30

FT—ACTUARIES INDICES

Industrial Group	635·02	(−4·73)
"500"	678·86	(−6·75)
All-share	619·05	(−5·18)

Wall St. rises despite higher consumer prices

By JAMES SRODES in Washington

WALLSTREET share prices shrugged off a hefty rise in consumer prices and fresh warnings of an economic slowdown yesterday to finish higher on the day.

The Dow Jones Index was up 5·41 at 1,291·97 an hour before the close.

The United States government's index of consumer prices rose by a seasonally-adjusted 0·5 p.c. during March, largely because of a sudden rise in natural gas costs. March's rise is greater than the more recent trends in consumer prices but still leaves the index of inflation only 3·7 p.c. higher than it was in March 1984.

Stock market analysts have been taking some comfort in signs that the super-hot economic recovery was cooling in the hopes that interest rates would come down a bit as a result.

Federal Reserve Board vice-chairman Preston Martin added to that mood by warning there is "a real threat of a growth recession" this year. Such a trend is usually defined as a prolonged period of slowly rising gross national product coupled with rising unemployment.

"In fact, the data currently available suggests that the economy is on the edge between healthy sustainable growth and a growth recession. A prolonged decline in (money supply) velocity would require a comparable period of rapid money growth to avoid an overly contractionary monetary policy.

"Thus M-1 and M-2 (the basic money stock measures) easily could have to exceed their upper boundaries in 1985." Mr Martin said.

In explaining the March price rises, government economists blamed the bulk o fthe increase in a rise in prices for natural gas brought on by the winter's unseasonable cold spell. On the other hand, they noted that prices of consumer foods were unchanged while housing and clothing costs were only fractionally higher.

At the same time another government report noted that new factory orders for durable goods produced in the United States fell by a seasonally-adjusted 2·5 p.c. in Mach. This is the third decline in the last four mouths in factory orders for capital goods, home appliances, furniture and other big-ticket items.

Government economists noted that capital equipment made for civilian use suffered an order decline of nearly 7 p.c., while machinery orders for defence contractors jumped another 24 p.c. in March.

The news of the economic slowdown comes just one day before President Reagan has scheduled a nationwide television address to plead for support for his Administration's spending budget for the financial year which begins in October.

Congressional debate on the controversial budget and its was to have begun this week but $225 billion spending overrun has been postponed.

The controversy over funds to the rebels fighting the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua has dominated the debate in both houses of the legislature and may even spill over into next week's deliberations.

Despite the impasse, President Reagan is expected to dwell on the current run of economic indicators and urge the public to press their representatives for quick action lest the economy slide into a recession because of the still high interest rate levels in the United States.

There have been some forecasts of a slight easing in key rates lately but so far no major bank has reduced the closely-watched prime rate charged to favoured corporate borrowers.

Stockley wins Stock Conversion stake

By JOHN RUDOFSKY

THE 15-month old property group Stockley, set up with the backing of merchant bankers Jacob Rothschild and Morgan Grenfell's Roger Seelig, yesterday won the auction to buy the 22·4 p.c. stake in Stock Conversion and Investment Trust owned by the late Robert Clarke, one o fthe founders of the property empire.

Stockley immediately said it does not intend to make an offer for at least six months and calle for "a constructive dialogue" with Stock Conversion. Stock Conversion quickly replied that its continued independence is best.

Stockley paid £64·35 million for the stake, valuing eash Stock Conversion share at 550p, considerably above the market price which slipped 8p to 435p.

The package is made up of new Stockley shares, almost all to be placed by the vendors at 70p each, against Stockley's 75p market price, and almost £38 million of 5 p.c. loan notes with an estimated market value of £33·4 million.

Morgan Grenfell arranged for the vendor placing, half of which can be bought by Ordinary Stockley shareholders if they wish.

J. Rothschild Holdings has come up with a five-year £38 million facility for Stockley to redeem the loan notes and is taking up new Stockley shares, which could give it a 9·3 p.c. holding in the rapidly-growing property concern.

The finance house also owns a 4·1 p.c. stake in Stock Conversion which it can sell to Stockley through a 545p-a-share "put' option running to May 3. If it is exercised Stockley's holding will rise to 26·5 p.c. in Stock Conversion.

Only earlier this month Stockley bought European Ferries' property interests, worth over £60 million, in return for issuing the seller with a 29·9 p.c. stake. This deal has yet to go through with shareholders at a special meeting on May 13, and now yesterday's acquisition will also have to be approved at the same meeting.

Stockley chief executive Michael Broke described Stock Conversion as "a wonderful company with great opportunities."

Why the six-month bid delay? "We want to reach an agreement with them, perhaps over joint ventures, not necessarily a full offer." He described Stock Conversion's immediate rebuff as "a little surprising."

Companies more optimistic

By ROLAND GRIBBEN

BUSINESS confidence has been boosted in the wake of the miners' strike and the Budget, according to the Institute of Directors' latest Business Opinion Survey today.

But Government hopes that the National Insurance restructuring will provide a jobs boost are not borne out in the survey results.

Optimism about economic recovery is significantly higher than in February, when only 27 p.c. of those surveyed were optimistic about prospects. Now 54 p.c. are more bullish and the proportion of pessimists has more than halved from 37 p.c. to 18 p.c.

The survey, based on replies to telephone questionnaires involving 200 directors, shows that while 55 p.c. felt the Budget would help job prospects only 10 p.c. said their companies would take on more workers and 8 p.c. said they would be shedding labour.

Graham Mather, head of the Institute's Policy Unit, said the pick-up in optimism and company performance suggested that the strengthening of sterling and the Budget measures had given a powerful boost to business confidence.

But the replies on jobs "suggests the need for greater radicalism in tax cutting and the introduction of more measures to free the labour market to encourage employers to take on more staff."

Banks prop Burnett after sale

By JOHN RUDOFSKY

HARD-PRESSED Burnett & Hallamshire Holdings is raising £10·5 million by selling its fuel oil and petrol distribution business to Powell Duffryn and has secured an extra standby facility from its bankers led by Barclays.

The additional overdraft facilities are more than adequate, according to chairman Eric Grayson, and will keep the group afloat while Price Waterhouse completes a detailed business and financial review of its troubled world-wide activities.

Mr Grayson dismissed suggestions of threatened receivership as "rubbish." "That sort of talk makes it really uncomfortable for us," he declared. "But after these announcements we are in an infinitely more comfortable position than we were yesterday."

The operation sold distributes petrol to over 300 garages, most under the "UK" sign. It also supplies fuel oil to industrial, commercial and domestic customers in the Midlands and the West Country and will give Powell Duffryn a 6 p.c. share of the market.

It made profits of £1·2 million in the year to March 1984 (before central group charges) but considerably more than that last year due to the miners' strike. Powell Duffryn says it should normally make £1·6 million.

Burnett & Hallamshire was once the darling of the stock market with profits rapidly rising to £30 million and the shares advancing to an adjusted £6 each. Yesterday they fell 5p to 50p with Mr Grayson warning that year-end results to March and due in June will be delayed, "but by weeks rather than months."

Net debts last year were £50 million with a further £40 million funds borrowed in California for the group's ill-fated property developments off the balance sheet. Debts have grown considerably in 1984-85 due to the miners' strike and the six Californian office developments still left unsold.

To add to its woes the civil engineering and building works in Iraq have not quite been completed due to the Gulf war and the group will make additional provisions against them. Negotiations are also under way to scale down the American coal operations which accounted for more than half Burnett & Hallamshire's worldwide coal interests.

Non-executive director Thomas Carlile, 61, formerly deputy chairman of Babcock International, has been made deputy chairman of Burnett & Hallamshire to help Mr Grayson pull the group out of its present difficulties.

CITY COMMENT

TSB girds up to fight for Scottish arm

TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANK chairman Sir John Read, faces one of the most difficult and delicate tasks of his career today when he meets representatives of the Scottish lobby in the House of Lords in an attempt to salvage plans for the flotation of the banking group on the London stock market.

The flotation was expected to value the TSB at about £1 billion, making it the biggest stock market launch outside the Government's privatisation programme.

The meeting follows last week's shock move in the Lords to exclude the Scottish end of the TSB from the flotation proposals. An amendment to the TSB Bill put forward by Lord Taylor of Gryffe passed by 13 votes after earlier amendments had been overwhelmingly rejected both in the House of Commons and during the committee stage in the Lords.

Sir John is convinced that any attempt to hive off TSB Scotland as a separate bank would not only be bad for the TSB as a whole but would harm Scottish interests. He points out that the board and senior management of TSB Scotland as well as the staff are appalled at the prospect of being forced to go it alone. He has in his possession a letter from Leif Mills, general secretary of the Banking Insurance and Finance Union, to prove the point.

Sir John's aim is to convince Lord Taylor and his colleagues in the Lords that last week's amendment was a retrograde step and that satisfactory arrangements can be made to meet their concerns about the future independence of the Scottish TSB within the wider group.

Other issues, like the preservation of the Scottish TSB's relative importance within the group will also be tackled. Iain MacDonald, chairman of the Scottish TSB, and other senior managers from Scotland, will be accompanying Sir John Read to add weight to his arguments.

Sir John says he is prepared to make a public commitment through Parliament to uphold the importance and independence of the Scottish TSB after the group is floated.

The Scottish TSB accounts for roughly one-fifth of the whole TSB group and has been particularly dynamic over the last two years, producing more than its fair share of total profits and showing a flair for innovation, like opening on Saturdays and even on Sundays.

Future investors in the TSB Group would thus be loathe to see the Scottish end go its separate way, so the success of the flotation proposals depends on Sir John managing to convince the Scottish lobby this morning. He deserves to succeed.

Protecting investors

WHEN the House of Commons debates the White Paper on Investor Protection today, it should bear two points in mind. The first concerns the new regulatory body that it proposed. The White Paper envisaged twin bodies: a Securities and Investments Board covering the regulation of securities and investment and a Marketing of Investments Board covering the marketing of pre-packaged investments such as life assurance and unit trusts.

This proposal has drawn widespread criticism. The City would much prefer to see a single regulatory body established. As the City Capital Markets Committee noted: "Separation into two bodies would undoubtedly cause real problems in drawing lines of demarcation, entail duplication of effort in building up the necessary information base and risk the emergence of gaps in the coverage of the final framework as well as confusion in the minds of those outside the financial community."

Even last night, on the eve of the Parliamentary debate, the Institutes of Chartered Accountants echoed this view, pointing out that "there should be only a single regulatory board rather than the two functional boards referred to in the White Paper."

The second reservation is much more serious. It is whether the new system of investor protection is workable in every detail. In a paper on the regulation of conflicts of interest prepared by one of the new giant securities business, Barclays de Zoete Wedd (part of the Barclays Bank stable), innumerable difficulties with the new rules are brought to light.

Referring to the Stock Exchange's interpretation of the law of agency, Barclays de Zoete Wedd states that some of the proposed rules are "technically impossible" to implement whilst others would "seriously damage" the efficiency and competitiveness of dual capacity operations.

Disturbing U.S. pointers

EVEN before sterling's late stumble this next move in the base rate game had been postponed for another day. There was no great pressure in the money markets, the Bank of England was able to take out the credit shortage in the money markets without any difficulty and three month deposits in the inter bank market were virtually unchanged at 12⅝ p.c.

When President Reagan ruled out disguised tax increases however markets leaped to the conclusion that if he means what he says, United States interest rates will have to stay high, and the prospects for relative interest rates and exchange rates may have to be revised. Sterling fell by almost three cents in a short while before bouncing off the bottom to close at $1·2540, 2·52 cents down on balance, and three-month money in the interbank market went swiftly back up to 12½-12⅝ p.c.

The gilt edged market meanwhile has been curiously inert in the face of the swings of exchange rates and interest rates. The Financial Times index of government stocks has moved relatively narrowly this year between a low of 78·02 at the end of January to a high of 82·00 a week ago, a range of about 5 p.c. When sterling was at its lowest ebb and base rates had to go up again at the end of February the gilt index stood at 79·29, and it closed last night at 81·73, up just 3 p.c. since then.

For the time being therefore it might look as if the gilt edged market having reacted sluggishly to the sharp rise in base rates is unlikely to be greatly impressed even if they fall back to the levels seen at the beginning of the year, argues Roger Bootle at brokers Capel Cure Myers.

The upturn in inflation will also damp down enthusiasm for fixed interest stocks, and brisk increases in money supply and bank lending suggest that there will be no real shortage of new issues to help mop up the excess.

But the long term trends still suggest interest rates should be lower before the end of the year, creating scope for cuts in the mortgage rate, which is artificially increasing the current inflation rate. So Capel Cure is relatively optimistic about fixed interest stocks and not particularly keen on inflation-linked issues except for high rate taxpayers. Within the fixed interest market however Brian Draper at James Capel thinks that short dated stocks still look slightly cheap against medium dated stocks.

Unit trust sales lower at £331m

UNIT trust sales in March were £331 million, down slightly from February's record figure of £343 million. But at the same time redemptions at £177 million were high as a result of substantial profit-taking at the end of the tax year.

Total sales for the first quarter were £996 million which after redemptions left net new investment for the period at £511 million.

The value of funds under management at the end of March was £16·3 billion, down about £200 million from February's figure. Unit holder accounts continued to rise, reaching 2·33 million.

Spending steady in first quarter

CONSUMER spending in the first three months of the year was no higher than in the final quarter last year and only 1·7 p.c. above its level of a year earlier, according to preliminary estimates from the Central Statistical Office.

The CSO said a fall in spending on food was offset by increases elsewhere, principally on fuel.

Business in the shops, which acounts for about half of all consumer spending, faltered at the beginning of the year after a bumper Christmas, but the latest figures suggest that sales are picking up strongly.

The ending of the miners' strike, pay rises well in excess of inflation, rising employment and tax cuts in the Budget are all helping to boost consumers' purchasing power. As yet the recent mortgage rate increases have apparently had little impact.

Computer service volume up 10pc

THE FIRST Government survey of the computer service industry shows a 21 p.c. increase turnover last year to £2,120 million, but there was a substantial element of inflation in this. The volume growth, according to junior Trade and Industry minister John Butcher, was around 10 p.c.

For comparison, United Kingdom manufacturers of computers and associated equipment achieved sales of £2,900 million last year.

Egypt cuts oil price 75 cents

A WEAKENING in spot markets yesterday forced Egypt to cut oil prices and put fresh pressure on Russia to follow as key members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting countries said no cuts in output were planned although demand is weakening.

Egypt has cut its Suez blend prices for deliveries next month by 75 cents a barrel to $26·75. Exports from the non-Opec country are around a third of the 850,000 barrels a day output.

North Sea prices have also been caught by the spot market weakness but prices for Brent oil, the market yardstick, are still above the $27·50 a barrel price fixed by the British National Oil Corporation for supplies this month.

GUS sells Global to Intasun

AFTER 28 years Great Universal Stores is parting with its travel subsidiary Global Tours to Intasun Leisure Group, Britain's second biggest tour operator.

Intasun takes over on November 1 at the end of the summer season and Global's performance during the coming months will help determine the price.

Global has about 2 p.c. of the air inclusive market and is rated ninth in this league. But its attractions for Intasun lie in its strength in coach package holidays in Europe and its two hotels in Majorca.

Peter Woodward, Intasun deputy chairman, reckons that in the group's current year Global will bring in 200,000 clients to add to Intasun's 1·2 million.

"It is a small move for us but it is all part of our diversification policy which reduces our dependence on air package holidays."

Harold Bowman, assistant managing director of Great Universal, said Global was a profitable operation but peripheral to the group's activities.

"Because of the comparatively small number of its air holidays and the changing scene of the holiday trade Global was unable to compete effectively with the major tour companies."

The package holiday business is facing a dramatic drop in bookings for this summer with some companies, including Global, down by as much as a third.

Intasun chairman Harry Goodman has already predicted that there will be a substantial number of takeovers

Lloyds revamps management base

LLOYDS BANK is getting ready for its new role as a single banking group once the merger betwen the domestic bank and Lloyds Bank International is completed, probably towards the end of the year.

Brian Pitman stays at the top as chief executive of the merged group, with Fred Crawley as deputy chief executive and Michael Thompson assistant chief executive.

LBI, once a powerful international bank in its own right, emerges as just one of five new divisions in the merged group under Len Kingshott. The other divisions are United Kingdom retail banking under John Dawson, corporate banking under Robert Medlam, merchant banking under Robert Owen and Treasury under Alan Moore.

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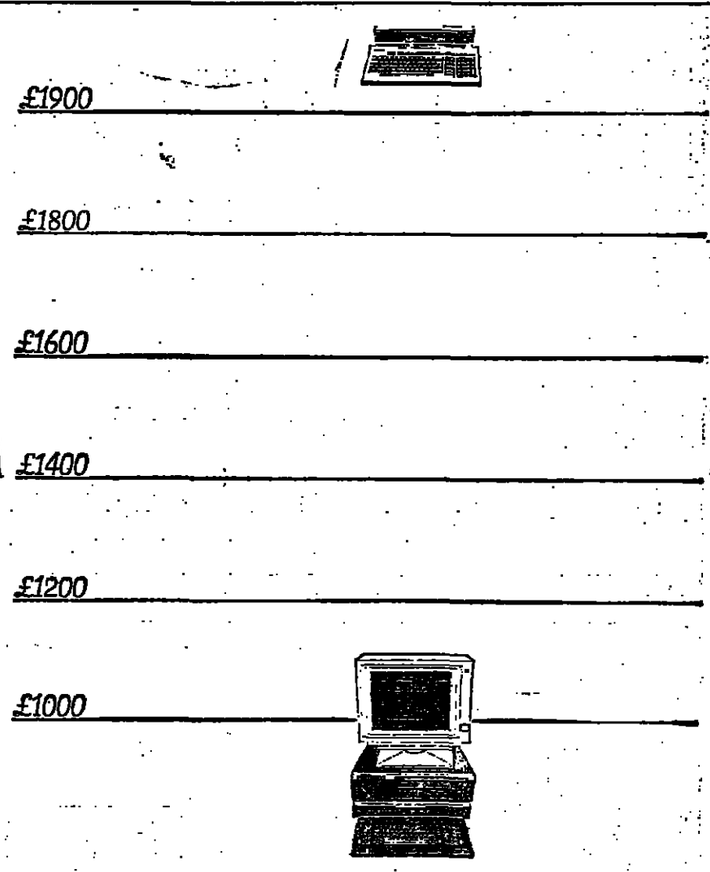

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Extracts for Year Ended December 1984

New Business

- Results significantly better than those for industry as a whole.
- Self employed pensions increased due to strong competitive contracts.
- Insured retirement benefit schemes business has shown a marked increase also.

Unit Linking

- At this time last year the Company entered the unit-linked market with a wide range of contracts designed to compete with the best on offer. Premiums of £24 million in less than a year brought in under this, the biggest venture of its kind, undertaken by Scottish Life.
- Team of specialist unit-linked consultants established to give expert service to independent intermediaries.
- A recent survey indicated that U.K. Equity fund was 3rd of 84 similar trusts; European and American funds* were 3rd and 4th in their categories.

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- Rates of reversionary bonus increased to record levels at end of the year.
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Profit over Forecast of £290 UP 60%		
Turnover UP 21%	5775	4757
Exports UP 43%	2244	1566
Shareholders' Funds* UP 1439%	2335	153
Earnings per Share	3.5p	N/A

*IN MARCH 1984, £1,400,000 WAS RAISED BY A B.E.S. SHARE ISSUE

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COMPANIES

Moss Bros tops £1m pre-tax

MOSS BROS, the clothing retailer and formal wear hire company, had a record year in 1984-85 for pre-tax profits jumped from £649,000 to £1·02m, despite only an 8 p.c. rise in turnover to £18·1m.

The improvement stemmed largely from an increase in gross margins—helped by the integration of the 22 shops acquired through the £2·75m Fairdale purchase in November 1983—and control of internal expenses.

The total dividend is being raised by 25 p.c. from equal to 3·99p to 5p with a 3·46p final from earnings of 20·63p (13·06p adjusted).

Meantime, Moss, which now has 57 outlets, estimates redevelopment of its Covent Garden flagship store—which it has made a planning application—will cost around £10m at present values.

The board views this development as essential.

Turnover is running 10 p.c. ahead of the comparable period and the board does not rule out the possibility of another acquisition.

Aran Energy

ARAN ENERGY, the Dublin-based oil and gas exploration group, reports a slip in 1984 pre-tax profits from IR£292,000 to IR£270,000. Operating revenues increased from IR£25·2m to IR£27·1m. Production from the Kinsale Head gas field yielded royalty revenues in excess of IR£1m for the first time and a further increase is expected in 1985.

The board says the company is fully funded for its 1985 programme, which will be its most active for many years. There is, once again, no dividend.

Bousted

LOSSES by its Australian company and by its British soft commodity operation; an exceptional debit of £255,000 (nil) and a £550,000 increase in the interest charge to £1·83m lie behind the full year pre-tax loss of £106,000 by Boustead, the international trading company.

The group, which passed its interim is now omitting the final but is anticipating that the underlying strength of its activities will enable a return to profitability this year.

The out-turn for 1983, when holders had a 0·5p dividend has been restated following the June announcement of stock discrepancies at King Trailers, and shows a group pre-tax loss of £844,000.

In 1984 King returned a pre-tax profit of over £300,000.

The other British interests, except the soft commodity side, all had satisfactory results.

Clement Clarke

CLEMENT CLARK (Holdings), the dispensing optician, where pre-tax profits were £221,000 down in the opening half to £610,000, has ended the full year with £1·29m, against £2·15m for 1983, when the figure included £400,600 in respect of arrears of professional fees.

Turnover was up £1·42m to a near £19m. Earnings come out at 8·43p, against 14·05p, or 9·05, excluding the arrears of fees, but a 2·8875p final on June 14 takes the total on from 4·0625p to 4·3325p.

Klark-Teknik

THE first figure from Klark-Teknik since it joined the Unlisted Securities market in November show this specialist sound reproduction company doubled its opening half sales to £1·5m and more than trebled its pre-tax profits from £212,000 to £640,000 for earnings of 2·56p (0.78p).

There is no interim, as anticipated, but barring the unforeseen a 0·6p final is intended.

Chairman Philip Clarke says prospects for the full year depend on sales, and to a small degree, international currency movements. He adds that it would not be realistic to expect the same percentage growth achieved in the first half to follow through for the full year.

Scott & Robertson

SCOTT & Robertson, Greenock-headquartered packaging products maker, which has been recovering steady since it sold off its jute interests, has now weighed in with a record year. Pre-tax profits come out at £1·02m as against a previous best of £827,000 and £735,000 for the 1983 44-week financial period.

Shareholders benefit with a 1·6p final on June 6 making 2·5p (2p) from earnings of 11·86p (10·31p).

Stat-Plus

STAT-PLUS Group, the law and commercial stationery supplier which joined the unlisted securities market in May via a placing by tender, had a successful 1984 with its pre-tax profits up from £700,000 to £1·02m.

In line with this, and from earnings of 7·8p (6·4p) it is paying a £1·5p final for a total of 2p, compared with the forecast 1·8p.

Turnover rose £981,000 to £4·54m. It has started a programme of geographic expansion and with cashflow continuing strong turned an end-1983 overdraft of £474,000 to a credit of £338,000 by the end of 1984.

Trading continues to be excellent, report the board.

IN BRIEF

English National Investment: Full year p/t profit £285,600 (£244,800). Gross income £357,900 (£313,000). Nav on preferred Ordinary 176·1p (153·9p adjusted) and deferred Ordinary 101·1p (78·9p adjusted). Final dividends 4·6p and 2·15p payable July 2.

Carborundum Abrasives: Full year p/t profit £1·5m against forecast £1m. T/o £42·4m. There are no comparative figures. Eps 202p. Final 30p.

Cooper Industries: Full year pre-tax profit £644,000 (£310,000 for nine months). Turnover £24·1m (£15·5m). Eps 2·2p (0·9p). Final 0·45p, payable July 1, making 0·75p (0·5p).

Scottish Cities Investment Trust: First half pre-tax revenue £631,000 (£428,000). Eps 12·4p (8·9p). Nav. £5·34p (£4·94p). Interim 6p (4p) payable April 30.

New Australia Investment Trust: First half pre-tax profit £91,700 (£82,100). Gross income £198,600 (£186,200). Eps 1·15p (1·01p). Nav. 109·9p (113·9p). As usual, no interim dividend.

W. H. Allen. Full year pre-tax profit £465,000 forecast of not less than £290,000 and 1983's £102,600). Turnover £5.77m (£4.76m) Eps 3·5p (no available). Board forecast 1985 will be even better.

NEW ISSUES

Clayform USM offer for sale

SAMUEL MONTAGUE and brokers W. Greenwell are bringing the property development group Clayform Properties to the unlisted securities market via an offer for sale of 2·5m shares (26 p.c.) at 165p each to capitalise the group at £16m.

The group, formed in 1981, made pre-tax profits of £1m last year and forecasts £2·5m this year. Half the shares for sale are new and half are being sold by the directors and by Electra Investment Trust. Application lists open Tuesday.

Persimmon

THE OFFER for sale of 4·1m shares in housebuilder Persimmon at 110p a share was oversubscribed 1·2 times with 1,252 applications received for a total of 9·54m shares.

The basis of allotment is as follows: For between 200 to 1,000 shares—allotted in full: 1,200-5,000—around 60 p.c. of those applied for with a minimum of 1,000; 5,500-11,000—around 50 p.c. wit ha minimum of 5,000; 12,000 and over—around 38 p.c. with a minimum of 5,500.

Applications from employees have been allotted in full and totalled 17,350 shares. Letters of acceptance wil be posted on April 26 and dealings will start on Monday, April 29.

Wyko Group

BARCLAYS Merchant Bank is arranging the placing in the unlisted securities market of 4·3m shares (24·6 p.c.) at 68p each in Wyko Group, which sells bearings and power transmission components throughout the world and values the business at £12m. Wyko forecasts pre-tax profits for the year ust ending of £1·8m compared to £1·1m.

BIDS AND DEALS

Ingall Industries

INGALL Industries, the Wolverhampton-based funeral director, is continuing to reject the extended £7·3m bid from the Greater Manchester Co-operative Society as wholly unacceptable.

Good Relations

GOOD Relations Group is to buy the New York public relations consultancy Cullen & Casey for $200,000 (£139,300) satisfied in shares. This coincides with the formation of a wholly-owned United States subsidiary Good Relations Inc with which Cullen & Casey will be merged.

THE QUESTOR COLUMN

Packing up M F I with Asda

STRAINING, it is just possible to see the logic behind the proposed merger of Associated Dairies Group and M F I Furniture Group.

Associated has always been eager to expand within the retailing sector and is clearly drawn to the cash generating possibilities offered by M F I.

At the same time M F I has been living under a small cloud in that it has been widely acknowledged for quite a while that the founders' shareholding was likely to come onto the market sooner or later.

The bid from Associated offers the M F I founders the opportunity to realise their shareholdings without ditching a management which has turned the company into one of the most solid performers in the retiling sector.

Creditable as that is, it is harder to see how the ordinary shareholders in either company are going to benefit from being tied together.

Most retailing mergers are all about integration, the cutting of administrative expenditure and the closure of unprofitable branches. None of those benefits appear forthcoming from this deal. In a word this is merger without obvious synergy.

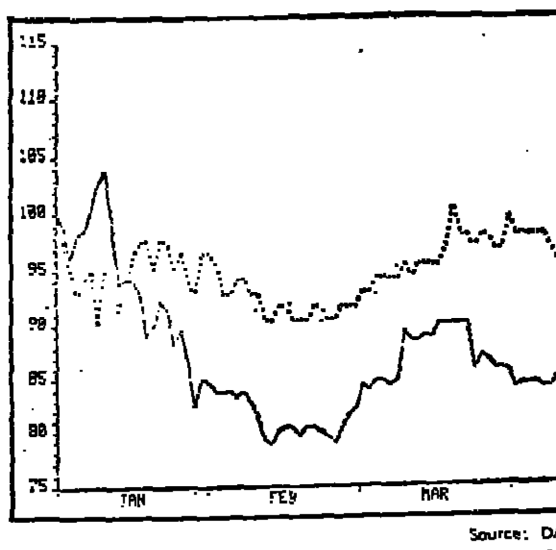
It will be one of the largest retailing groups in the country. A full year of sales from both companies should amount to £1·76 billion and combined 1984-85 profits should turn out at around £163 million with Associated contributing £117 million against £105 million and M F I chipping in about £46 million against £39 million.

The following year the combined total is generally expected to rise to around £200 million but there is no evidence yet to suggest that either company would not do just as well entirely under its own steam.

M F I's expertise could be well employed in running the non-foods operations of Associated, particularly the carpets division, which is all that remains from Associated's last disastrous diversification programme.

But as shareholders peruse the formal merger document they should also prepare some searching questions for their respective managements.

The offer of 15 new Associated for every 8 M F I. values each M F I share at 281p (against a current price of 280p) which is a clear 25 p.c. ahead of the pre-offer price so there is short term incentive for acceptance for M F I holders.



Source: DATASTREAM

The share price performance of Associated Dairies (dotted line) and M F I Industries since the beginning of 1985.

But investors should consider that the two groups have several large shareholders in common and that once accepted, the Associated shares at 150p on a 1985-86 multiple of 14, could be in for a short period of indigestion.

Eye on Bond Corporation

ALAN BOND has come a long way since he left Ealing for Australia when he was 13. The former signwriter, now in his 40s, heads a group whose total assets should reach A$900 million by end-June. He recently considered acquiring Tricentrol, but decided against it, and Morgan Guaranty Trust has just arranged the A D R trading of his shares in the United States.

Given the currency advantages of a weak Australian dollar, London investors wanting a spread of industrial-mining-oil interests should look at Bond Corporation Holdings, which after a first-half net profit of A$11 million is set for profits of A$25 million for the 12 months to June. (Last year after new accounting standards required companies to state the impact of more than 20 p.c. owned affiliates, Bond reported a A$14 million net loss.)

The most visible of the group's United Kingdom interests is 82 p.c.-owned Airship Industries, whose craft fly in the London skies. Recent sales, including this week's £4 million deal with Canadian Engineering Surveys, should soon put this company back into profit. In time given a wider spread of share ownership its U S M listing may be re-applied for.

Within Australia the oil and gas interests, including WA-192B and Harriet, have promise. Bond was ready to bid for Woodside, and though beaten by Shell Australia and Broken Hill Proprietary is in line for capital profits on its holding, and through its gold investments claims reserves of seven million tonnes of gold bearing ore.

Retail interests have caused Bond Corporation and its followers headaches, but debt is falling progressively and the companies are turning in profits on a monthly basis.

Mr Bond through family companies controls 54·6 p.c. of the group's shares. He has ambitions within the United Kingdom and the United States, though on a partnership basis, and though development of the group has been fast and furious there is evidence that Bond Corporation has now matured from being a deal maker to a manager of companies.

The shares, at 75p yesterday, with strong asset backing, are worth following.

Kwik march in second half

AFTER a disastrous first six months when exhaust manufacturers were dumping stocks on the market Kwik-Fit Tyres and Exhausts) managed to drag itself up by the bootstraps in the second six months to finish with profits a shade higher at £4·23 million before-tax against £4·15 million.

In what was already a high gross margin business the company has concentrated on improving its return on sales even further.

Costs have been brought under tighter control, management of depots has been restructured and a new management incentive scheme introduced.

The second half of the year which saw profits rise by 39 p.c. to £2·46 million also benefited from a step-up in television advertising which began in June 1984. This enabled the group to increase its market share in both the replacement exhausts and tyres markets.

Kwik-Fit added 36 depots last year, none of which has so far contributed to profits and it also closed down its French operation which suffered a £200,000 loss above the line as well as £497,000 of closure costs taken below the line.

The current year has started strongly with sales so far around 30 p.c. up on the depressed corresponding period, and as last year's new depots come through to profits the group seems assured of a highly favourable first half profits comparison.

Over the year the growth may ease slightly but the full year pre-tax profits should still push up towards £5·2 million —20 p.c. up on the year—for a prospective earnings multiple at 40p of 6·8 times

There is nothing in the market which compares directly with Kwik-Fit, but it is essentially a retail operation and on that basis its shares easily deserve another 15p per share on their rating.

British Empire Trust rights call for £22m

By RA TICKEL

BRITISH EMPIRE Securities and General Trust, managed by Imperial Life Assurance of Canada which has a 29·9 p.c. stake through Laurentian Financial Services, is gearing up for a fresh assault on the property and investment trust markets.

The trust, capitalised at £5·79 million, at 28½p, up 1p yesterday, but with net assets worth £7 million or 34½p a share, is raising £22 million with a four-for-one rights issue at 28p a share, and will seek to increase its borrowing powers from just over £1 million at present to more than £87 million in its new form.

The issue is being underwritten by P-B Securities. Down, de Boer & Duckett, the London stockbroking firm set up by United States financial services group Prudential-Bache Securities last year.

Imperial is taking up rights to 14·2 million shares, giving it 20 p.c. of the enlarged equity, and has interested a group of Texan investors, clients of the Dallas-based investment firm William K. Woodruff, following an introduction by P-B Securities.

Woodruff is sub-underwriting 24·6 p.c. of the rights issue and its clients could end up with 22 p.c. of the trust. It is also taking a 25 p.c. stake in Laurentian.

Since taking over management of British Empire, Laurentian has aimed for capital growth through investment in companies standing at a discount to net asset values. These "special situations" have included, but not exclusively, investment trusts and property companies, which will continue to form the basis of the Trust's portfolio.

Meantime, the trust reports first half pre-tax profits down from £167,000 to £55,000 but points to a 16·2 p.c. increase in net assets per share during the same six months. A same again 0·2p interim dividend is payable May 23.

Microlease plugs share slide

ONLY DAYS after releasing its results for its latest financial year, Microlease has issued a statement explaining them in an attempt to stop the precipitate slide in its share price.

Although the profit was 21 p.c. up to £705,000, it was well short of market expectations, and the share price which was 475p at the start of this month, reached 350p on Monday.

But, following the chairman's statement that "orders are at the highest level ever in the life of the company" the shares rose 18p yesterday to close at 368p. David Rennie, chairman, said the disappointment had been the final quarter of its year.

Microlease rents out electronic test equipment to major companies

MONEY & EXCHANGES

Sharp rise for dollar

PRESIDENT Reagan's refusal yesterday to contemplate tax increases in America helped boost the dollar on the exchanges in spite of new figures pointing to a sharp slowdown in the American economy.

The pound fell from $1·2792 to $1·2540 and its average international value declined from 79·3 to 78·8.

Investors took the view that without a tax increase, America would continue to face a massive budget deficit which would tend to keep American interest rates high.

The renewed strength of the dollar and fears of continued high interest rates across the Atlantic upset sentiment in London money markets and reversed hopes of an early cut in British bank base rates.

The cost of wholesale money in London jumped by more than ¼ p.c., taking the key three-month interbank to more than 12½ p.c.

The Bank of England had to pump £717 million of cash into the banking system through bill operations to meet another large liquidity shortage. Once again, the Bank split its help between outright bill purchases and sale and repurchase arrangements with the discount houses.

THE POUND ABROAD

	23-4-85	Prev. close
Austria	26.95—27.07	27.01—.09
Belgium*	77.37—.68	75.17—.77
Canada	1.7000—.7060	1.7266—.7312
Denmark	13.77½—.82½	13.8840—.8910
France	11.7109—.7672	11.7802—.7823
Germany W	3.8464—.8588	3.8485—.8566
Holland	4.3462—.3657	4.3584—.3699
Ireland	1.2290—.2350	1.2250—.2310
Italy	2443.65—2460.07	2462.80—2462.68
Japan	312.37—313.26	317.58—318.21
Norway	11.1115—.1643	11.1826—.2084
Portugal	212.84—218.69	216.07—220.16
Spain	214.69—215.31	215.73—216.17
Sweden	11.1991—.2421	11.2582—.2862
Switzerland	3.1901—.2018	3.1856—.1910
Utd. States	1.2530—.2560	1.2785—.2800

* Convertible rate.

Effective Sterling Exchange Rate Index NOON 78.9 (79·2) CLOSE 78·8 (79·3) (Base 1975 = 100)

OTHER MARKET RATES

Argentina	Peso 514.10—515.40
Australia	A$1.9690—1.9720
Brazil	Cruzeiro 6.039—6.074
Cyprus	C£ 0.7685—0.7636
Finland	Markka 7.9707—7.9796
Greece	Drachma 166.62—170.36
Hong Kong	HK.$ 9.7740—9.7840
India	Rupee 15.6006
Iraq*	Dinar 0.3947—0.3967
Kuwait	Dinar 0.3810—0.3850
Malaysia	Ringgit 3.1020—3.1130
Saudi Arabia	Ryal 4.57½—4.61½
Singapore	S$ 2.7730—2.7820
South Africa	Rand 2.4426—2.4521
United Arab Emirates	Dirham 4.65½—4.69½

* Subject to limit

DOLLAR RATES

	23-4-85	Prev. close
France	9·3500	9·1900
Germany	3·0690	3·0110
Switzerland	2·5475	2·4870
Japan	249·30	248·35
Trade weighted ave.	143·90	143·30

EUROCURRENCIES

DOLLARS:
7 days 8⅛—8¼ | 1 month 8⅛—8¼
3 months 8⅜—8½ | 6 months 8[illegible]

MARKS:
7 days 5[illegible]—5[illegible] | 1 month 5[illegible]—5[illegible]
3 months 5[illegible]—5½ | 6 months 5[illegible]—6[illegible]

SWISS FRANCS:
7 days 12—12½ | 1 month 5—5⅛
3 months 5[illegible]—5[illegible] | 6 months 5¼—5⅜

Yearlings steady.

INTEREST rates in the local authority yearling bond market are unchanged this week at 11⅝ p.c. The issues are again all at par and borrowers include City of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, City of Aberdeen, and London Borough of Hounslow (£1m each), and Newport Borough Council and South Bedfordshire District Council (£500,000 each).

FORWARD RATES

The forward rates for currencies for one month and three months are as follows:

	One month	Three months
Austria	14⅞—13½ Gr. pm	36½—33 Gr. pm
Belgium	25—20 c pm	66—47 c pm
Canada	0.48—0.39 c pm	1.15—1.01 c pm
Denmark	4⅝—3⅝ ore pm	9½—8½ ore pm
France	2½—1½ c pm	5⅞—4½ c pm
Germany W	2½—2¼ Pfg pm	6⅝—6 Pfg pm
Holland	2⅜—2⅛ c pm	6⅛—5¾ c pm
Italy	1 Lr pm—2 Lr dis	4—9 Lire dis
Japan	2—1⅝ Yen pm	4⅝—4½ Yen pm
Norway	¼ Ore pm—½ Ore dis	1—1½ Ore dis
Portugal	146—555 c dis	607—1630 c dis
Spain	5 c pm—5 c dis	10—99 c dis
Sweden	Par—⅝ Ore dis	3¼—3⅝ Ore dis
Switzerland	2¼—2 c pm	6⅛—5¾ c pm
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Over-the-Counter Market

1984/85 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yd %	P/E Actual	P/E Fully Taxed
144	123	Ass. Brit. Ind. Ord.	143	—	6·6	4·4	7·9	9·5
151	135	Ass. Brit. Ind. CULS	149	—	10·0	6·7	—	—
77	51	Airsprung Group	56	−1	6·4	11·4	6·2	7·4
42	26	Armitage & Rhodes	33	−1	2·9	8·8	4·1	6·3
145	108	Bardon Hill	142	—	3·4	2·4	14·6	23·8
58	42	Bray Technologies	51xd	−1	5·9	7·6	6·2	7·2
201	170	CCL Ordinary	170	—	12·0	7·1	—	—
152	110	CCL 11 p.c. Conv. Pref.	110	—	15·7	13·8	—	—
200	100	Carborundum Ord.	1,200	+100	49·0	4·1	5·3	9·5
88	84	Carborundum 7·5 p.c. Pref.	88	—	10·7	12·2	—	—
75	50	Deborah Services	50	—	6·5	13·0	4·8	7·7
314	182	Frank Horsell	314	—	—	—	12·6	16·5
263	170	Frank Horsell Pr. Ord. 87	261	—	9·6	3·6	10·6	13·9
32	25	Frederick Parker	32	—	—	—	—	—
58	53	George Blair	57	—	—	—	5·8	7·7
50	22	Ind. Precision Castings	22	—	2·7	12·3	6·0	6·5
218	136	Isis Group	189	—	15·0	7·9	7·5	13·6
124	101	Jackson Group	105	—	4·9	4·7	4·3	9·5
285	215	James Burrough	244	—	13·7	5·6	8·7	8·7
95	85	James Burrough 8 p.c. Pref.	85	—	12·9	15·2	—	—
87	71	John Howard & Company	87	—	5·0	5·7	6·9	10·9
217	100	Linguaphone Ord.	217	+2	—	—	8·0	8·5
100	95	Linguaphone 10·5 p.c. Pref.	98	—	15·0	15·3	—	—
650	300	Minihouse Holding N.V.	650	—	3·8	0·6	46·8	51·2
120	51	Robert Jenkins	50	+1	5·0	10·0	—	—
60	28	Scruttons 'A'	33	—	5·7	17·3	17·4	4·0
92	61	Torday & Carlisle	76	—	—	—	8·2	17·3
444	335	Trevian Holdings	335	−3	4·3	1·3	19·0	18·7
29	17	Unilock Holdings	29	—	1·3	4·5	14·0	20·5
98	81	Walter Alexander	96	—	7·5	7·8	9·3	11·6
247	216	W. S. Yeates	218	—	17·4	8·0	6·3	10·7

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1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
149·9	121·2	Amer Grth	129·1	*137·3
51·9	49·6	Asian Pacific	37·1	39·5
112·9	107·1	General	155·5	110·5
76·9	71·6	High Inc. Eq.	71·0	75·5
207·5	165·3	Japan	156·4	*[illegible]
67·2	55·3	U.S. Emerging	53·7	37·4
118·6	112·5	Gilt & Fix Int	109·7	*116·1
175·0	174·4	W'ldwide Bd	147·0	156·4

AITKEN HUME FUNDS (MNGMT) LTD.
30 City Road, London EC1Y 2AY
01-628 6626

35·6	30·0	Small Co's Fd	30·1	32·2
152·2	127·3	Pacific Fund	[illegible]	150·0
489·2	390·5	Exempt Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
182·0	168·6	Special Sits Fd	168·5	179·5
42·0	37·6	Energy & Res Fd	37·2	39·8
69·6	57·6	Am. Manor Fd	52·6	49·5
52·2	50·0	Intnl. Inc. Fd	39·6	42·0
155·1	143·1	Secure Income Fund	141·6	151·5
80·7	65·4	Japanese Tech Fund	60·3	64·5
171·4	122·0	AmericanTech Fund	112·5	120·4

ALLIED UNIT TRUSTS LIMITED
Allied Hambro House, Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
0277 211459 & 229123

176·7	163·0	First Trust	163·1	173·7
111·6	104·1	Growth & Inc. Tst	103·1	*109·8
206·7	192·9	Capital Trust	193·1	*200·3
300·6	278·0	Balanced Trust	278·1	296·2
452·0	415·5	Accumulator Tst	416·0	445·2
34·7	30·0	American Inc. Tst	29·0	30·9
194·6	180·5	High Income Tst	[illegible]	*192·1
107·3	97·3	Equity Income Tst	100·0	106·5
126·6	117·1	High Yield Tst	115·4	*122·9
29·7	28·3	Government Secs Tst	27·8	29·0
75·8	64·6	International Tst	60·9	64·9
77·1	60·2	Japan Tst	57·6	61·5
141·3	118·2	Pacific Tst	113·7	121·1
73·9	56·7	Am'n Spec Sits Tst	58·7	*62·5
218·8	176·5	Secs of America Tst	173·3	185·6
177·6	156·8	Asset Value Tst	164·5	175·0
32·9	31·2	Gilt Growth Tst	31·5	*33·6
106·1	95·6	Smaller Co's Tst	99·4	105·9
137·5	130·3	Sec Smaller Co's Tst	128·7	*137·1
61·3	54·1	Recovery Tst	56·5	*60·2
109·3	92·6	Metal Min. & Com. T.	89·5	*96·4
166·0	151·9	Overseas EarningsT.	151·4	161·2
104·6	84·9	Technology Tst	79·8	*85·0

ANDERSON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.

151·8	126·1	AndersonGrthUnitT	130·0	*137·7
28·7	27·3	AndersonInc.Unit T.	27·0	*28·7

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES LIMITED
131 Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY. 01-628 9876
Dealing Dept., 01-628 0901/2/3/4

55·6	50·9	Capital Growth	49·7	52·0
95·3	84·0	Commodity	81·9	87·5
157·9	139·6	Commodity Accum	135·9	145·3
52·5	46·4	Com 10% Withdrawal	45·2	48·3
119·6	97·6	Eastn & Intnational	93·6	100·1
68·5	54·9	Estn& Intl 6% Wdrwl	52·7	56·3
48·4	44·4	Finance & Property	45·5	48·6
73·7	61·0	Foreign Grth	58·0	62·0
46·2	43·1	Gilt & Fixed	43·9	46·2
70·7	66·7	Gilt & Fixed Accum	67·2	70·7
60·8	57·1	High Income	56·6	60·5
134·4	124·8	High Income Accum	124·9	135·5
76·6	72·2	High Inc. 8½% Withd.	72·2	76·1
62·9	60·4	High Yield	58·9	62·8
152·8	145·2	High Yield Accum	142·8	152·7
93·9	73·5	North American	69·6	71·1
27·1	25·8	Preference	25·4	*27·1
79·4	74·6	Preference Accum	74·5	*79·4
106·7	86·8	Smaller Companies	99·4	106·3
113·0	95·0	Smaller Co's Accum	105·2	112·5
9·9	9·4	World Penny Share	9·3	9·9

Portfolio Trust

63·8	57·1	U.K.	60·8	63·0
56·2	52·8	Japan	52·0	53·8
60·2	55·7	U.S.	64·6	66·9
60·3	51·8	Europe	55·9	57·9

ARCHWAY UNIT TRUST MNGRS. LTD.

229·4	213·4	Fund	213·9	227·6
35·3	33·6	Growth Fund	32·1	34·2
56·6	55·2	High Yield Eq. Fd	53·3	*56·6

ATLANTA UNIT TST. MNGRS. LTD.
46 Moorgate, London EC2R 6EL.
01-638 1711

73·0	58·5	AtlantaAmSpecFnd	55·3	58·8
69·2	65·1	AtlantaCanadianTst	61·8	65·5
67·5	45·7	AtlantaJap.FarEast	43·1	45·9

BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO. LTD.
3 Glenfinlas Street, Edinburgh
031-225 2581

107·0	88·5	Japan	85·6	91·9
148·1	107·1	America	122·7	130·6
205·2	173·8	Technology	167·2	177·9
126·5	105·0	Energy	102·3	108·9
160·4	146·2	Income Grth	149·9	*159·5

BARCLAYS UNICORN LIMITED
252 Romford Road, London E7 9JB
01-534 5544

89·7	75·9	Unic.Amer	74·0	78·7
166·1	134·8	Unic. Aust.Acc.	133·6	142·1
120·8	98·2	Unic Austr.Inc.	97·3	103·5
180·3	167·4	Unic Cap.	163·9	174·3
356·4	309·3	Unic Exempt	304·5	*323·9
58·6	54·2	Unic Extra Inc.	54·0	*57·4
197·9	180·3	Unic. Fin.	181·8	193·5
205·0	190·1	Unic. 500	191·8	204·0
111·1	102·6	Unic. Gen.	102·1	*108·6
54·1	51·2	Unic.Gilt & Fix. Int.	51·7	54·1
117·1	95·9	Unic.Grtr.Pac.(Acc)	92·4	98·2
116·2	95·1	Unic.Grtr.Pac.(Inc)	91·6	*97·4
150·3	130·2	Unic Grth. Acc.	136·4	145·1
251·3	237·5	Unic. Inc	235·2	250·2
115·1	101·4	Unic. Special Sits.	106·7	113·5
149·1	136·6	Unic. Rec.	138·4	147·2
89·2	82·6	Unic. Trust	81·5	86·8
130·0	110·1	Unic. Worldwide	105·5	*112·2
257·0	239·5	Trust Inv. Fd. (Acc.)	236·3	251·3
173·6	161·8	Trust Inv. Fd. (Inc.)	157·4	*167·4

BARING BROTHERS & CO. LIMITED
8 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AE
01-283 8833

225·7	210·1	Stratt.Sml.Co'sEx Fd	216·7	225·7
512·6	466·2	Stratton Trust	484·7	504·8
757·5	685·2	Stratton Tst Accum	716·2	746·0
120·5	106·9	Stratton Euro. Fd.	108·1	114·9

BARRINGTON MGMT. CO. LTD
59 Gresham Street, London EC2P 2DS
01-606 4433

128·5	119·0	Gen Fd Inc.	115·0	122·2
167·5	155·9	Gen Fd Acc.	152·4	161·7
69·1	64·4	High YieldFd Inc.	63·1	*67·2
127·7	119·1	High Yield Fd Acc.	118·1	125·7
304·8	269·5	Smaller Co's Fd Inc.	285·5	304·8
351·9	311·5	Smaller Co's Fd Acc.	330·7	351·9
108·9	95·0	Pacific Fd Inc	[illegible]	*[illegible]
121·7	108·3	Pacific Fd Acc	95·6	101·7
268·8	219·3	Nth Am Fd Inc	207·3	219·3
305·5	248·1	Nth Am Fd Acc	235·8	248·1
265·6	257·5	European Fd Inc	[illegible]	247·0
321·4	297·5	European Fd Acc	287·3	299·0
113·1	108·7	Gilt Yield Fd Inc	109·7	113·1
162·8	153·2	Gilt Yield Fd Acc	157·9	162·8
154·5	131·4	Japan Fd Inc	124·0	131·4
154·5	131·4	Japan Fd Acc	124·0	131·4

BISHOPSGATE PROGRESSIVE MANAGEMENT CO.
65 Holborn Viaduct, London EC1A 2UR
01-248 4000

737·2	623·9	Bishopgt Prog Apr 23	710·2	756·2
1059·1	839·6	Acc Units April 23	956·6	1018·5
895·7	772·2	Bishop Intl April 16	824·8	872·4
1079·4	928·2	Accum April 16	[illegible]	[illegible]
183·4	175·1	BecFund April 17	169·5	176·7
105·4	93·2	Can & Far April 11	99·1	*105·4
109·1	96·9	Accum April 11	102·6	109·1

BRIDGE FUND MNGRS (A) (C)
Regis House, King William St, E.C.4
01-623 4951

86·3	68·8	America Gen. Inc	63·9	69·4
86·8	69·1	America Gen. Acc	64·2	69·6
194·5	107·3	Income Fund	102·2	*111·7
116·3	101·4	Capital Inc	97·1	*104·5
147·9	133·0	Capital Acc	124·9	134·4
251·0	242·0	Exempt	235·0	251·0
42·2	38·3	Intnl. Recovery Inc	38·2	*41·1
54·2	50·1	Intnl. Recovery Acc	50·2	54·0

BRITANNIA GROUP OF UNIT TRUSTS LIMITED.
Salisbury House, 29 Finsbury Circus, London EC2. 01-588 2777
Dealing 01-638 0478/0479

102·8	84·5	American Growth	81·1	*86·5
61·7	53·5	American Income	51·9	*55·7
28·1	22·2	AmericanSmaller Co's	22·6	24·3
88·1	71·4	AmericanSpecialSits	67·4	71·9
[illegible]	65·8	Australian Growth	64·4	*68·7
172·9	142·3	Commodity Shares	143·6	153·4
[illegible]	9·1	European Sm. Co's	9·3	9·9
[illegible]	55·5	Exempt	58·8	61·6
[illegible]	63·6	Exempt Mkt Leaders	64·5	67·5
[illegible]	51·0	Extra Income	51·3	54·7
47·3	38·9	Far East	37·2	39·7
38·1	35·1	Financial Securities	35·1	37·4
27·3	25·9	Gilt	25·8	27·2
27·2	20·0	Gold & General	21·6	23·5
52·9	50·5	Growth Gilt	52·1	53·2
28·7	25·2	Hong Kong Perf	23·6	25·6
164·0	148·3	Income & Growth	149·8	*159·8
32·3	27·7	Intnl. Growth	27·4	*29·2
14·1	11·2	Intnl. Leisure	11·8	12·6
46·2	36·1	Japan Performance	34·5	36·6
13·5	9·9	Japan Smaller Co's	9·4	10·0
156·6	144·3	National High Inc.	144·8	*154·5
19·3	17·8	Preference Shares	17·2	18·3
43·6	38·3	Property Shares	40·8	*43·5
84·5	76·4	Recovery	77·7	*82·9
120·5	109·2	Smaller Companies	113·0	120·5
81·8	74·8	Special Mkt. Sits.	74·0	*78·9
31·8	31·4	U.K. Growth	31·9	34·0
70·5	64·7	Universal Energy	65·6	70·0
54·6	44·3	World Technology	41·2	44·2

BROWN SHIPLEY & CO.
9-17 Perrymount Rd., Haywards Heath
0444 458144

[illegible]	[illegible]	Brown Shipley Fund	48·5	52·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Accum	78·0	84·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Financial	94·1	100·7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Growth Acc	165·5	175·8
[illegible]	108·3	Growth Inc	106·4	*114·1
53·0	48·1	High Inc	48·5	*52·2
59·5	53·3	Income Fund	54·5	*58·4
62·2	51·7	North American	50·6	54·6
59·0	48·6	Orient Fund	45·8	49·3
99·3	26·2	Recovery	27·1	29·1
174·5	141·1	Technology Fund	133·3	*143·5

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY LTD.
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01-588 2868

130·3	106·8	Buckmaster Intnl Fd	102·0	109·9
80·5	75·5	Buckmaster Inc. Fd.	71·9	76·6
174·7	152·3	Buckmaster Gen. Fd	160·2	171·0
611·00	564·8	Buckmaster Sm. Co Fd	582·4	596·8

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01-242 1148

57·3	45·4	CS Japan Fd	45·4	46·2

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96·7	89·2	Can. Life Gen. Dist.	89·4	94·1
147·5	134·7	Can. Life Gen Acc	136·4	143·6
65·3	60·8	Can. Life Inc. Dist	60·5	*63·4
126·0	116·3	Can. Life Inc. Acc	116·2	124·4

CANNON FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
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266·5	245·4	Income	250·3	266·3
147·6	102·4	Far East	114·4	*121·7
149·2	120·2	North American	113·6	*120·9
233·9	213·7	Growth	218·9	232·9

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
77 London Wall, London EC2N 1DB
01-588-1515

00·0	00·0	Deposit %	—	13·0
335·80	330·75	Investment	—	337·75
131·03	129·73	Fixed Int	—	131·03

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
77 London Wall, London EC2N 1DB
01-588-1515

00·0	00·0	Deposit %	—	12·6
307·09	236·60	Income	—	236·60
849·53	639·80	Accumulation	—	839·15

CHIEFTAIN TRUST MANAGERS
11 New Street, London EC2M 4TP
01-283 1963

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
19·9	19·3	Gilt & Fix. In.	19·2	*20·6
43·5	41·[illegible]	High Income	41·2	44·1
[illegible]	38·0	Inc. & Grth	38·9	41·6
[illegible]	32·0	Special	36·7	39·3
[illegible]	60·5	International	60·2	64·5
[illegible]	32·5	Global	30·5	*32·7
[illegible]	40·0	American	44·5	47·4
[illegible]	17·2	Australian	19·6	21·0
[illegible]	50·0	Japan	58·1	62·3

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[illegible]	[illegible]	General Equity	28·7	30·6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity High Inc	29·5	31·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilt & Fixd Int Grth	24·6	26·2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Indexed Secs	23·4	25·2

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[illegible]	[illegible]	Growth Fund	163·9	172·5

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50·0	50·0	Growth Fd	—	50·0

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[illegible]	224·3	Capital Trust	222·5	236·7
56·9	49·3	Energy	49·1	52·2
133·5	123·4	Extra Income	121·0	*128·7
106·6	93·0	Financial Trust	97·6	103·8
53·6	51·2	Gilt Strategy	52·6	53·6
232·7	221·2	Growth Invest. Tst	219·0	232·9
110·7	96·2	Income Trust	97·7	*103·9
94·4	72·0	Japanese Par. Gwth	75·4	80·2
104·2	85·4	North Am Grth Trust	85·2	88·5
151·5	140·8	Portfolio Invest. Fd	141·8	148·4
125·5	95·6	Recovery Trust	96·1	102·2
155·5	141·8	Smaller Companies	145·6	154·8

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD
Crown House, Woking, GU21 1XW
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192·1	168·6	Crown High Inc. Tst	166·1	*177·7
179·6	167·6	Crown Growth Tst	164·0	175·4
123·3	105·7	Crown American Tst	108·5	115·8

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.
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031-226 3492 (Dealers)

85·1	59·4	American Fd	63·0	67·4
70·7	67·1	Capital Fd	65·8	70·4
115·0	99·9	Grth & Inc Fd	106·2	113·6
92·5	81·3	High Dist Fd	85·7	91·6
195·6	163·3	Intnl Fd	153·8	164·5
28·6	25·8	Res. Fd	23·6	*26·3
26·8	21·6	Smaller Jap. Comps.	20·7	22·1
113·2	103·1	Tokyo Fd	96·0	102·7

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Amersham Road, High Wycombe
0494 33377

122·6	114·7	UK Growth Tst. Acc.	113·3	*120·5
111·0	104·3	UK Growth Tst. Inc.	101·4	*107·8
177·4	158·2	Higher Inc.Tst.Acc.	164·9	*175·4
158·9	135·7	Higher Inc.Tst.Inc.	138·3	*147·1
89·4	84·1	Gilts FxdInt Tst Acc.	85·5	90·9
73·0	75·5	Gilts FxdInt Tst Inc.	75·1	79·0
158·6	121·7	North Am Tst Acc.	119·7	*127·3
115·4	90·5	Far East Tst Acc.	87·0	*92·5
93·5	84·4	Europe Tst Acc.	83·9	*89·2
205·3	186·4	General Tst	179·2	*190·6

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305·1	269·3	Equitable Pelican	281·0	299·0
59·3	50·5	Far Eastern	48·6	51·8
51·5	48·5	Gilt & Fixed Int	48·4	51·5
54·8	52·5	High Income	55·3	58·9
65·3	50·7	North American	48·1	51·2
59·7	52·5	Special Sit	56·0	59·6
58·9	51·6	Trust of Inv Tst	51·6	54·9

FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD.
190, West George St. Glasgow, G2 2PA
041-332 6462

238·0	180·7	Balanced Growth Fd	223·7	*238·0
25·0	25·0	Services Comps. Fd.	—	25·0

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35·7	32·7	Amer Eqty Income Tst	31·0	33·0
65·2	50·5	Amrican Spec Sit Tst.	47·3	50·6
104·2	79·7	Japan Trust	75·3	81·5
31·0	23·4	Japan Spec Sits Tst	22·0	23·8
55·5	55·5	Max. Income Eqty Tst	56·3	56·9
107·0	95·1	Special Situations Tst.	99·9	106·3
59·2	27·4	South East Asia Tst.	26·5	28·2
29·9	29·5	Gilt & Fixd Int Trust	28·8	*29·9
76·1	66·4	Growth & Income Tst	70·5	75·1
95·9	82·0	Managed Intntl Tst	81·7	87·0

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105·4	91·7	F&C Capital Fd	86·1	*92·1
60·7	50·5	F&C Far East Fd	48·0	51·4
56·4	52·8	F&C Fixed Int Fd	54·4	56·4
66·4	61·8	F&C Income Fd	60·3	*64·5
64·1	54·6	F&C Nat Res Fd	56·4	60·4
66·6	56·3	F&C Ovrseas Inc Fd	55·8	59·7

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01-628 5181

211·8	163·8	American&Gen.Fd	185·2	194·8
213·2	175·1	American&Gen FdAcc	186·0	196·8
222·4	164·4	American Turnarnd Fd	178·6	190·0
206·8	168·0	Americn Turnarnd Acc	182·8	194·4
163·2	135·8	Capital Tst	152·6	*162·4
191·8	158·4	Capital Tst. Acc	179·4	190·8
81·4	72·8	Conv. & Gilt Tst	76·2	81·0
101·4	91·0	Conv. & Gilt Tst Acc	95·2	101·2
121·8	103·4	Extra Inc. Tst	113·6	120·8
123·0	103·4	Extra Inc. Acc	115·8	123·0
91·8	79·0	Income Tst	85·6	91·0
91·8	79·0	Income Tst Acc	85·6	*91·0
155·2	130·6	Intl. Growth Fd	141·2	*150·2
170·0	143·0	Intl. Growth Fd.Acc.	155·2	165·0
56·6	53·6	Japan & Gen. Fd	51·6	54·8
64·2	53·8	Japan & Gen. Acc	52·0	55·2
61·2	47·0	Monthly Inc. Fd	56·8	60·8
104·0	86·6	Recovery Tst	97·4	103·6
110·4	91·0	Recovery Tst. Acc	103·4	109·8

FRIENDS PROVIDENT UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey
0306 885055

110·1	102·9	Fixed Int Dist	102·8	109·9
116·8	109·2	Fixed Int Acc	109·1	116·6
171·5	160·0	Equity Units Dist	156·2	166·4
276·1	258·9	Equity Units Acc	256·2	271·4
133·9	121·2	Stewardship Dist	127·7	135·9
137·1	122·3	Stewardship Acc	128·6	136·3

G & A TRUST

96·7	89·1	G & A	89·7	95·1

G.T. UNIT MANAGERS
8th Floor, 8 Devonshire Sq., London EC2M 4YJ
01-283 2575. Dealing: 01-626 9431

157·4	136·1	G.T. European Fund	138·3	144·6
95·7	78·2	G.T. FarEast&GenFd	72·4	77·5
66·2	63·4	G.T. Income Fund	63·2	67·6
125·6	105·8	G.T. Internatnl. Fd.	102·5	109·7
173·5	135·7	G.T. Japan & Gen. Fd	129·8	138·9
101·9	99·5	G.T. Pound Reserve	100·3	101·9
153·5	142·3	G.T. Pension Exempt	133·8	140·2
86·7	68·9	G.T. Tech & Grth Fd	68·5	73·3
78·8	68·9	G.T. U.K. Capital Inc.	72·4	77·5
110·0	95·3	G.T. U.K.Capital Acc.	101·1	108·2
59·7	47·1	G.T. U.S. & Gen. Fd.	47·5	50·9

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
2-4 St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP
01-623 1212. Dealings: 01-623 5766

96·7	80·4	American Trust	78·1	83·0
22·4	18·4	Australian Trust	18·4	19·5
46·9	36·8	British Trust (Acc)	42·3	45·0
42·0	36·8	British Trust (Dist)	37·7	40·2
73·6	67·7	Commod. Share Tst	67·3	71·6
39·0	27·5	European Trust	27·1	28·9
39·9	36·5	Extra Income Trust	37·3	39·7
94·6	79·8	Far Eastern Trust	80·3	85·4
36·2	23·8	Fixed Interest Trust	24·1	25·7
36·7	25·6	Gilt Trust	25·5	26·6
135·3	110·5	Global Fund (Acc.)	108·6	115·6
120·4	106·2	Global Fund (Dist.)	104·4	111·1
20·0	16·5	Gold Share Trust	17·9	19·1
110·0	102·9	High Income Trust	102·9	109·5
35·5	28·4	Hong Kong Trust	27·7	29·4
52·3	47·4	Income Fund	48·8	52·0
84·8	66·9	Japan Trust	64·7	68·8
42·0	36·3	Oil & Energy Trust	37·0	39·3
76·3	68·1	Special Sits. Trust	68·9	73·4
48·6	45·6	UK Small Co Rec Tst	45·8	48·7

JOHN GOVETT UNIT MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Winchester House, 77 London Wall, London EC2N 1DH. 01-588 5620

72·8	63·5	Intnl Grth Fd	60·3	64·4
70·3	55·9	Amer Grth Fd	52·4	56·0
74·1	60·9	Amer Inc Fd	57·6	61·6
113·2	101·3	Euro Grth Fd	101·4	108·4
51·8	48·1	Gold & Min Fd	47·4	50·6
107·7	87·5	Japan Grth Fd	83·7	89·5
72·5	61·1	Pacific Inc Fd	59·0	63·1
73·0	56·1	U.K. Spc Ops Fd	67·7	72·4

GRANVILLE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
8, Lovat Lane, EC3 8DT. 01-621 1212

52·0	50·0	Granville Capital	48·8	*50·1

GROFUND MANAGERS LIMITED
Founders Hall, 8/9 Austin Friars, London EC2N 2AE. 01-588 5317

89·2	73·5	American Tst	67·5	71·1
71·1	68·6	Equity Tst	69·6	74·1
65·2	59·2	European Tst	57·5	60·5
54·6	52·3	Gilt Tst	53·0	54·6
66·1	57·6	Japan Tst	64·2	67·6

GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE UNIT MANAGERS LIMITED
Royal Exchange, London EC3V 3LS
01-638 2020

252·5	235·6	Guardhill Tst	233·8	247·4
118·6	111·5	Gilt & Fixed Int. Tst	113·7	118·2
169·9	152·2	Growth Equity Tst	157·1	167·2
149·9	119·1	North American Tst	116·9	*126·5
160·2	133·1	Pacific Tst	127·3	*135·5
172·5	149·3	Smaller Co's Tst	160·6	*170·9
165·2	151·4	Property Share Tst	155·2	165·2
125·3	115·2	European Tst	115·7	123·1

HENDERSON UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
Premier U.T. Admin, 5 Rayleigh Rd., Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. 0277 217238

72·1	66·0	Australian	64·1	*67·9
77·8	46·6	Capital Growth	48·0	*51·3
58·8	53·4	Capital Growth (Acc)	54·5	*58·0
140·9	126·5	European	125·7	*132·3
100·8	[illegible]	Japan	79·3	84·1
[illegible]	124·5	High Income	127·8	136·7
86·1	76·6	Income & Assets	81·6	86·8
125·4	115·5	International	109·7	*118·3
163·4	132·1	North American	125·1	134·9
123·3	117·5	Extra Income	122·2	*131·4
63·0	49·4	American Small Co's	47·0	*50·3
77·0	51·8	Pacific Smaller Co's	50·7	*54·0
115·2	99·7	Income & Growth	106·7	113·5
[illegible]	175·0	Income & Grth Acc	198·0	210·6
[illegible]	93·5	Special Sits	100·4	102·0
150·2	128·8	Special Sits Acc	136·8	149·3
81·5	72·7	Smaller Co's Div'd	74·8	80·0
[illegible]	52·8	Fixed Interest	52·1	*53·8
[illegible]	75·6	Global Tech	90·9	95·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Global Healthcare	52·6	55·9
[illegible]	101·2	American Recovery	109·3	116·9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Japan Special Sits	84·6	89·7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Nth American Exmt	78·9	83·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Japan Exempt	78·6	*80·2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Smaller Co's Exmt	[illegible]	102·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Financial	52·7	56·1
[illegible]	76·5	Oil & Natural Res	73·4	77·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pref. & Gilt	47·3	*50·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Recovery	75·1	80·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilt	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Singapore & Malaysia	36·1	*41·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	275·6	*290·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pacific Exempt	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Global Tech Exmt	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	High Income Exmt	92·3	96·2
276·9	246·0	European Exmt Tst	261·2	*277·7
61·6	49·6	European Small Co's	47·7	50·2

HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LIMITED
Premier U.T. Admin., 5 Rayleigh Rd., Hutton, Brentwood, Essex 0277 217238

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
51·7	44·7	HBL Canadian	42·7	45·4
66·6	59·2	HBL Equity Income	61·7	65·6
58·8	55·6	HBL European	55·4	*58·9
82·1	68·4	HBL Japan & Far E	66·6	*70·9
58·3	57·5	HBL North Amer	56·9	60·5
67·6	57·1	HBL Scandinavian	54·0	57·4
90·7	78·3	HBL Smaller Co's	84·5	89·9

HERITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.
52, Berkeley Square, London, W1X 6ER
01-493 6621

78·7	76·3	Heritable Growth Fd	70·6	75·3
67·8	65·0	Heritable Income Fd	60·8	65·1

HESMOSS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.
30/31 Friar Street, Reading, Berks RG1 1AH 0734-505511

73·3	68·3	Caversham Fund	67·6	*71·6
60·9	58·5	Caversham Ex In Fd	57·5	60·8

HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST. MNGRS.
45 Beech St., London EC2P 2LX
01-628 8011

441·5	397·9	British Tst	404·1	429·4
82·0	74·7	Capital Tst	75·2	80·1
189·0	157·1	Dollar Tst	153·8	*163·7
65·4	61·2	European Tst	61·3	65·3
107·5	88·9	Far East	85·3	90·8
282·1	254·7	Financial Tst	251·0	*267·1
39·5	36·2	Gilt & Fix Int. Grth.	37·4	38·9
53·4	46·9	High Yld. Tst	49·7	52·9
64·5	57·9	Inc. Tst	59·7	63·6
107·0	95·6	Intnl. Tst	90·4	96·2
35·5	27·5	Jap. Tech. Tst	26·3	28·0
61·3	50·4	Small Co's Tst	55·8	*59·4
84·6	72·4	Special Sits	76·5	81·4
29·9	25·8	Gilt & Fix Int. Inc.	27·6	28·7
36·8	31·5	Nat. Res. Tst	34·0	*36·2
148·8	135·5	Secs. Tst	137·9	146·8

IBI FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
32, Queen Anne's Gate, London, SW1H 9AB. 01-222 1000.

108·3	100·1	British & Overseas Tst	94·7	100·8
51·7	49·9	High Income Gilt Tst	47·8	*50·4
51·7	52·0	Security Gilt Tst	51·3	*54·0
59·6	50·0	Invst Trusts Fund	55·4	58·4

KEY FUND MANAGERS
33 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF
061 236 5685

179·1	164·4	Key Equity & Gen	165·1	177·6
65·8	60·4	Key Fixed Int. Fd	56·2	60·4
173·1	147·9	Key Income Fund	158·5	170·5

KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT MNGRS.
20 Fenchurch St., London EC3
01-623 8000

233·0	216·4	UK Equity Grth Inc	215·7	233·0
377·5	350·6	UK Equity Grth Acc	349·5	377·5
173·7	156·9	Fd of Inv. Tst. Inc	154·5	164·6
206·5	192·5	Fd of Inv. Tst. Acc	191·3	203·4
126·1	115·2	Smaller Co's Inc	118·3	*125·4
161·5	146·1	Smaller Co's Acc	151·5	160·6
105·6	93·9	High Yield Inc	99·0	104·9
162·6	144·6	High Yield Acc	152·4	161·5
59·0	50·1	American Grth. Inc	49·8	53·8
59·3	50·1	American Grth. Acc	50·1	54·1
60·5	49·6	Jap. Grth. Inc	47·5	*50·6
60·7	49·6	Jap. Grth. Acc	47·7	50·8
49·2	38·3	Worldwide Tech Inc	36·5	39·4
49·4	38·4	Worldwide Tech. Acc	36·6	39·5
76·5	68·7	Intnl. Rec. Inc	69·4	73·6
78·4	70·4	Intnl. Rec. Acc	71·1	75·4

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33·7	29·4	Intnl. Grth. Tst	27·7	29·5
31·6	28·7	High Income Tst	29·0	31·3
36·3	28·4	Nth.Am. Equity Tst	27·7	29·9
32·6	28·6	UK Equity Tst	29·5	*31·9

LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT TST. MNGRS.) LTD
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230·3	215·8	Equity Tst	210·4	225·0
348·0	325·2	Equity Accum	320·1	342·4
71·6	67·0	Gilt Tst	67·7	*71·6
71·1	62·6	Intnl. Mngd. Tst	60·3	64·2

LLOYDS BANK UNIT TST. MNGRS. LTD.
Registrar's Dept., Goring-by-Sea, Worthing, West Sussex.
0903 502541. Dealing: 0444 459144

155·9	143·9	Balanced Unit Tst	142·1	151·9
257·3	250·5	Balanced Unit Acc.	243·6	260·5
127·1	114·9	Extra Inc. Unit Tst	117·6	125·7
214·4	194·0	Extra Inc. Unit Acc.	199·5	212·2
215·2	194·3	Inc. Unit Tst	195·8	*209·4
402·6	363·4	Inc. Unit Acc	372·3	398·0
110·4	90·0	Pacific Bas.Unit Tst	86·3	92·2
114·4	95·2	Pacific Bas.Unit Acc.	89·3	95·5
172·9	150·2	WldwdeGrth UntTst	141·7	151·5
239·6	208·3	WldwdGrthUnt Acc.	196·4	210·0

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Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS
0392 215347

36·5	33·2	General Tst	33·7	36·0
28·9	25·8	Inc. Tst	26·2	28·5
31·9	25·4	Intnl. Tst	24·2	25·8

LONDON LAW UNIT TST. MNGMT. LTD.
Bailey House, Old Seacoal Lane, London EC4. 01-236 6105

152·1	130·3	Capital Grth. Fd.	136·7	*146·3

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226·5	181·2	American & Gen.Inc	179·3	191·9
257·5	204·7	American&Gen.Acc	203·9	218·2
260·4	209·4	AmericanRecvy Inc	206·1	220·5
277·9	223·4	AmericanRecvy Acc	219·8	235·3
61·1	45·8	AmericanSml Co Inc	46·5	49·8
62·5	46·0	AmericnSmlCo's Acc	46·8	50·1
98·0	79·9	Austral & Gen. Inc	78·5	84·1
106·8	84·5	Austral & Gen Acc	85·1	91·1
200·2	180·4	Commdity&Gen.Inc	184·1	197·0
262·6	242·2	Commdity&Gen Acc	235·3	251·8
347·1	318·4	Compound Growth	321·5	344·0
284·4	259·9	Conv.Growth	239·6	256·3
157·3	148·4	Conv.Income	147·5	158·3
314·8	284·1	Dividend Inc	293·3	313·1
874·4	780·2	Dividend Acc	820·6	869·8
118·6	105·2	Euro & Gen Inc	105·1	111·4
140·2	124·3	Euro & Gen Acc	124·2	*131·8
175·4	160·9	Extra Yield Inc	164·7	*174·6
361·0	323·7	Extra Yield Acc	339·0	359·3
176·2	146·9	Far Estn & Gen Inc	142·5	151·1
211·7	176·4	Far Estn & Gen Acc	171·1	181·4
205·5	185·2	Fd of Inv Tst Inc	184·1	195·1
311·9	281·0	Fd of Inv Tst Acc	279·4	296·2
477·2	434·1	General Inc	443·9	470·5
968·3	880·6	General Acc	900·7	954·7
65·5	56·5	Gilt & Fixed Int Inc	56·6	59·4
82·5	77·0	Gilt & Fixed Int Acc	78·6	82·5
50·4	42·1	Gold & Gen Inc	46·5	49·3
52·0	43·0	Gold & Gen Acc	48·0	50·9
244·6	217·6	High Income Inc	230·3	244·1
620·7	552·2	High Income Acc	584·4	619·5
674·3	643·0	Int.Growth Inc	629·6	667·4
1067·0	986·3	Int. Growth Acc	978·3	1037·1
446·8	453·2	Japan & Gen Inc	433·8	459·8
583·4	485·5	Japan & Gen Acc	[illegible]	480·5
71·4	58·3	Japan Sml Co's Inc	55·7	59·0
71·6	58·3	Japan Sml Co's Acc	55·8	59·1
405·5	371·2	Midland & Gen Inc	395·3	419·0
995·5	879·8	Midland & Gen Acc	936·9	993·1
251·1	225·4	Recovery Inc	245·0	259·7
326·3	281·8	Recovery Acc	305·3	324·7
561·9	501·8	Second Gen Inc	519·8	551·0
1046·9	951·8	Second Gen Acc	986·0	1045·2
552·5	506·4	Smaller Co's Inc	516·4	552·5
843·1	763·6	Smaller Co's Acc	787·9	843·1
346·1	322·0	Trustee Inc	318·2	*340·5
944·0	873·5	Trustee Acc	879·5	941·1
296·8	281·9	Charifund Inc	283·3	296·2
712·0	665·8	Charifund Acc	705·5	710·6
107·3	101·9	Charibond Inc	—	107·3
289·5	271·5	Charibond Acc	—	289·3
33·5	32·3	N.A.A.C.I.F. Inc	—	33·3
349·0	334·0	N.A.A.C.I.F. Acc	—	349·0
365·7	337·7	Pension Exempt	346·6	362·2

MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
37/41 Old Queen St., Westminster, London SW1H 9JG. 01-222 0311

28·0	25·9	MLA General Trust	26·0	27·5
		Scrip issue 9 for 1 as at 5 April, 1985		
44·1	36·0	MLA Int Tst	36·4	*38·5
23·9	22·6	MLA Gilt Tst	22·6	23·9
32·0	28·0	MLA Income Tst	30·1	31·9

MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD
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0438 356101

98·0	90·2	Gilt & Fixed Int	95·1	98·0
62·9	58·2	Growth Units	58·4	62·1
91·4	87·8	High Income Units	84·9	90·2
100·3	86·0	Int. Growth Units	80·9	86·0
76·8	60·9	Nth American Units	57·3	60·9
72·8	61·2	Far East Units	57·6	61·2
55·8	50·0	U.K.Smaller Comp's	52·6	55·9

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103 Oxford St., Manchester M60 7HA
061-236 8432

116·6	110·5	U.K Equity Fund	109·0	115·5
125·5	117·0	Equity Inc Fund	117·5	125·5
139·0	115·0	International Fund	108·0	115·0

MENCAP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Unicorn House, 252 Romford Road, London E7. 01-534 5544

106·6	99·5	Mencap	98·5	*104·7

MERCURY FD MNGRS LTD
33 King William St., London EC4R 9AS
01-280 2800. Deal: 01-280 2860

189·6	165·2	Gen. Fd. Dist	175·5	186·4
301·4	263·3	Gen. Fd. Acc	278·6	296·3
217·2	180·6	Intl. Fd. Dist	171·1	182·0
265·5	231·3	Intl. Fd. Acc	209·0	222·3
81·6	77·7	Gilt Fund Dist	80·7	83·5
84·1	80·1	Gilt Fd Acc	83·2	84·0
50·7	47·3	Amer. Income Fund	44·8	47·6
92·9	74·0	Amer. Grth. Fd Dis.	78·4	83·3
94·5	75·3	Amer. Gwth Fd. Acc	79·7	84·7
103·2	82·9	Jap Fd. Dist	79·4	84·4
106·0	84·5	Jap Fd. Acc	80·6	85·9
72·2	65·3	Euro Fd. Dist	64·8	68·9
75·1	64·1	Euro Fd. Acc	65·6	69·7
181·8	170·6	Exempt Fd. Dist	176·3	181·6
271·2	252·3	Exempt Fd. Acc	262·3	270·9
146·4	124·2	Rec. Fd. Dist	135·5	*144·1
161·3	126·8	Rec. Fd. Acc	140·0	*149·9
62·7	55·7	Inc. Fd. Dist	56·1	59·8
65·6	57·6	Inc Fd. Acc	61·0	64·8

MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LIMITED
Courtwood House, Silver St., Head, Sheffield S1 3RD. 0742 79842

70·8	64·2	Capital	65·2	69·5
93·4	84·7	Capital Acc	85·9	91·6
137·9	125·2	Commodity & Gen	121·8	129·9
185·1	169·6	Com. & Gen. Acc	165·1	176·1
52·4	50·7	Extra High Inc	48·6	*51·8
55·6	53·5	Extra High Inc. Acc	52·1	55·6
53·1	50·5	Gilt & Fixed Int	50·9	53·1
79·0	75·7	Gilt & Fixed Int. Acc	75·5	78·9
125·5	114·7	High Yield	116·9	124·6
198·5	181·4	High Yield Acc	184·6	196·9
137·8	126·1	Income	127·6	136·0
216·3	195·3	Income Acc	200·3	213·7
183·4	153·9	Japan & Pacific	147·5	157·3
191·7	160·8	Japan & Pacific Acc	154·1	164·4
108·5	90·3	North American	89·6	95·7
125·1	106·1	North American Acc	105·1	112·4
90·7	78·2	Overseas Growth	77·5	82·6
107·6	93·9	OverseasGrowthAcc	91·9	98·0
84·6	72·7	Smaller Co's	79·2	84·4
87·6	75·3	Smaller Co's Acc	82·0	87·4

MINSTER FUND MNGRS LTD

98·0	92·5	The Minster Fd	92·7	96·7

MONTAGU UNIT TRUST MNGRS
11 Devonshire Square, EC2M 4YR
01-626 3434

50·2	41·7	Gold & Prec. Metals	46·4	49·4
51·2	42·1	Gold & P. Metal Acc.	47·2	50·4
72·7	56·9	Japan Performance	55·7	59·4
72·8	57·0	Japan Per'nce Acc	55·8	59·5
53·8	49·3	U.K. Mkt Features	49·6	*52·9
55·9	49·1	U.K.Mkt Ftrs Acc	50·1	53·4
60·3	56·7	U.S. Special Features	60·1	64·1
60·1	56·2	U.S. Sp. Feat's Acc	60·3	64·3
63·7	53·2	U.S. Special Income	51·2	54·6
64·0	53·2	U.S. Special In. Acc	51·4	54·8
320·9	280·2	Equity Exempt	303·1	*316·5
396·5	342·3	Equity Exempt Acc	374·5	391·1

MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
163 Hope St., Glasgow G2
041-221 3521

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
117·9	105·3	American Fd	98·5	105·4
119·5	106·5	Euro Fd	104·6	112·4
171·3	150·9	Smaller Co's Fd	157·9	171·3

NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD
48 Gracechurch St., London EC3P 3HH
01-623 4200

171·0	152·8	Growth Td Dist	159·1	169·3
267·1	238·6	Growth Tst Acc	238·4	251·3
488·1	423·5	Overseas Tst Dist	404·0	*427·6
569·3	510·2	Overseas Tst Acc	486·8	515·4

NORWICH UNION INSURANCE GROUP

£10·19	844·2	Grp. Tst. Fd.	912·9	960·9

OPPENHEIMER FUND MNGT LTD.
66 Cannon St., London EC4N 6AE
01-236 3885

Oppenheimer Trusts

92·5	82·0	Int. Grth	79·2	84·3
45·1	39·8	Income & Growth	41·5	*44·4
55·9	50·7	Special Situations	51·4	56·0
31·0	25·4	American Growth	26·2	27·9
39·2	30·6	Japan Growth	29·3	31·2
32·6	28·5	European Growth	28·8	30·8
40·7	31·1	U.K. Growth	37·9	40·5
30·4	25·8	Pacific Growth	25·9	27·7
29·2	27·6	High Income	27·5	*29·2

Practical 01-623 8893

45·9	41·1	Income Units	40·6	*43·2
80·5	72·2	Accum. Units	71·8	76·5

PEARL TRUST MANAGERS
252 High Holborn, London WC1V 7EB
01-405 8441 (Ext 4772)

98·8	92·0	Unit Trust	91·1	97·0
166·9	153·9	Unit Accum	152·1	161·9
69·8	65·7	Growth Fund	62·5	*66·5
101·4	95·4	Growth Accum	92·4	98·3
92·8	83·5	Income Fund	84·6	*90·0

PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
48 Hart St., Henley-on-Thames Oxon, RG9 2AZ. (0491) 576868

196·4	173·7	Growth Fund	173·9	186·6
142·5	129·4	Income Fund	131·4	140·7
115·0	101·0	Worldwide Recv. Fd	101·6	109·1
73·1	56·0	American Growth Fd	55·6	59·7
65·4	55·6	Intern. Em. Co's Fd	57·3	61·5

PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS
222 Bishopsgate, EC2M 4JS.
01-247 7544/7

64·7	57·1	Extra Income	60·1	*63·9
133·6	108·4	Far Eastern	103·3	*110·7
82·7	76·3	Gilt Capital	79·4	82·6
157·4	122·8	High Income	127·7	135·9
101·0	88·2	International	84·7	*90·8
135·2	115·0	North American	111·4	*119·4
160·2	138·1	Special Situations	149·2	158·7
142·2	123·2	Technology	115·3	124·5

PROVIDENCE CAPITOL FUND MANAGERS LTD.
Providence House, 30 Uxbridge Road, London W12 8PG. 01-749 9111.

51·1	50·0	Japan Trust	48·2	51·1
50·3	50·0	World Wide	47·5	50·3
50·4	50·0	European Trust	47·6	50·4
51·7	50·0	North American	48·8	51·7
50·0	49·5	U K Equity	46·7	49·5

PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
51-59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL
01-478 3377

348·3	317·5	Prudential UnitTrust	318·3	*338·6
154·3	144·0	Holborn Gilt Trust	147·6	*154·5

QUILTER INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT LTD.
Bermuda House, St Julian's Avenue, St Peter Port, Guernsey CI. 0481 26268

$1·1130	$0·93	Quadnt In. Euro Shs	$1·06	$1·1130
$1·2810	$1·15	Quadnt In Far E. Shs	$1·20	$1·2800
$1·1980	$1·06	Quadnt In N Am Shs	$1·13	$1·1865

QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY LTD
Garrard House, Gresham St., London EC2V 7LH. 01-600 4177

345·5	324·7	Quadrant General	323·7	*342·3
190·6	176·3	Quadrant Income	181·0	190·5
351·7	310·0	Quadrant Internat	301·0	316·9
221·2	195·0	Quadrant Recovery	210·1	*221·2

REED STENHOUSE INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD
145 Borough High Street,
01-628 6011

106·13	100·0	Wellington Gwth Fd	96·32	102·46

RELIANCE UNIT MANAGERS LTD

159·9	153·0	British Life	127·8	*134·3

ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4P 4DU
01-280 5456

279·3	254·0	N.C. America Inc	224·1	235·8
295·7	246·6	N.C. America Acc	239·1	250·6
200·0	179·5	N.C. Energy Reso. Tst	174·2	183·3
347·2	306·8	N.C. Income Fund	326·9	344·0
147·3	116·4	N.C. Jap Fd	113·5	119·4
115·5	109·0	N.C. Smaller Co's	108·6	*115·6
109·5	100·0	N.C. Smaller Eurp'n	98·9	104·0

ROWAN UNIT TST MNGT LTD.
1 Finsbury Ave., London EC2M 2PA
01-606 1066

218·0	176·0	American Fd	187·0	198·0
570·0	507·0	Secs Fd	534·0	565·0
305·5	258·0	Merlin Fd	283·0	300·5
134·5	118·5	High Yield Fd	121·0	134·5
118·0	114·0	High Int Fd	115·5	*119·5
140·0	129·0	Fixed Int Fd	140·5	*147·5
148·5	131·5	Far East Fd	120·5	124·0

ROYAL LIFE FD MNGT LTD
New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS
051-227 4422

50·9	46·8	Equity Tst	47·4	50·4
57·3	56·7	Int Tst	54·2	57·6
36·6	25·1	Gilt Tst	25·4	26·7
33·0	27·1	U.S. Tst	26·4	28·0
29·1	24·9	Pac Basin Tst	23·9	25·4

THE ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
Royal London Hse, Colchester CO1 1RA
(0206) 576115

150·8	133·3	Cap Acc Tst	139·2	148·1
63·2	67·0	American Growth	65·3	69·5
52·8	50·3	Gilt Inc	49·8	*52·5
59·5	53·8	High Inc	55·9	59·5
71·8	62·4	Inc & Growth	64·7	69·9
83·2	71·0	Special Sits	76·5	81·4

SAVE & PROSPER GROUP
Hexagon House, 28 Western Rd., Romford RM1 3LB. 0708 66966

70·4	61·4	American Inc&Gwth	60·5	64·7
86·7	86·3	Capital Units	83·5	89·0
62·0	54·2	Commodity Share	54·2	57·6
62·1	54·6	Energy Inds	54·2	57·6
62·7	55·7	Euro Growth	54·2	57·6
73·7	65·4	Financial Secs	67·1	71·7
56·0	51·7	Gilt & FI Inc	50·9	*53·6
140·2	129·7	High Return	130·5	138·6
123·7	111·8	High Yield	113·7	*120·9
82·0	76·7	Income Units	75·0	79·7
76·6	69·3	Inv Tst Units	65·8	*70·3
64·2	50·4	Japan Growth	48·4	51·6
95·5	77·0	Japan Sml Co's	73·0	78·0
120·7	98·4	New Tech Fd	95·2	99·1
104·1	94·7	Scotbits	94·6	101·1
132·6	116·2	Scotshares	123·4	131·2
116·2	105·4	Scotyields	107·9	114·7
68·9	60·1	Select Int	56·4	*60·3
120·0	113·9	Smaller Co's Inc	113·4	*120·6
111·5	95·0	South East Asia	95·1	101·1
80·6	72·0	Special Sits	74·5	79·6
146·3	132·0	UK Equity	134·7	144·0
76·7	59·2	US Growth	60·0	63·8
76·5	67·4	Universal Growth	63·4	*67·4

SCHRODER UNIT TST. MANAGERS LTD.
Regal House, 14 James St. WC2
0705 827733

108·4	107·3	Amer Fd Inc	101·5	108·2
132·0	108·3	Amer Fd Acc	102·5	109·2
74·1	56·2	Aust Fd Inc	56·2	59·9
78·2	59·7	Aust Fd Acc	59·6	63·5
88·8	62·2	Euro Fd Inc	60·7	*64·7
85·8	63·3	Euro Fd Acc	61·8	65·7
56·2	52·3	Gilt&FixdInt Fd Inc	52·5	55·3
78·7	71·2	Gilt&FixdInt Fd Acc	72·7	76·6
47·7	41·0	Gold Fd Inc	43·6	*46·4
49·0	41·0	Gold Fd Acc	44·7	47·6
138·7	125·3	Inc Fd Inc	128·3	136·7
292·5	266·2	Inc Fd Acc	270·5	288·3
100·5	84·0	Intnl Fd Inc	79·1	84·3
157·5	115·0	Intnl Fd Acc	108·4	115·5
70·0	58·2	Jap Sml Co's Fd	55·1	58·8
520·1	465·1	Pen & Charity Fd Inc	483·9	*494·5
626·9	582·6	Recovery Fd Inc	561·3	586·4
89·3	71·7	Sing & Maly Fd Inc.	68·9	73·4
87·8	72·6	Sing & Maly Fd Acc	69·7	74·3
115·0	104·2	Sml Co's Fd Inc	102·9	109·6
119·4	105·9	Sml Co's Fd Acc	106·0	113·0
1094·3	1004·6	Spec Exempt Fd Inc	952·6	1023·0
86·6	82·2	Special Sits Fd Inc	79·6	*84·8
89·4	84·0	Special Sits Fd Acc	81·7	87·1
145·0	114·7	Tokyo Fd Inc	112·8	*120·2
146·0	117·2	Tokyo Fd Acc	113·6	121·1
84·1	77·9	UK Equity Fd Inc	77·6	82·9
126·0	116·4	UK Equity Fd Acc	117·4	124·0
65·6	49·7	U.S. Sml Co's Fd Acc	48·0	[illegible]

SCHRODER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
Box 273, St Peter Port, Guernsey
0481 28750

Schroder Portfolio Selection Fund Ltd.

$1·180	$0·985	American Fund	$1·010	$1·088
$1·150	$0·966	Am. Smaller Co's Fd	$1·013	$1·093
94·9	71·0	Australian Fund	70·9	75·6
111·6	104·9	British Fund	102·2	109·2
114·7	104·1	European Fund	101·6	108·6
100·8	87·3	Gold Fund	91·6	97·9
132·8	112·6	Hong Kong Fund	105·2	116·7
118·4	99·9	International Fund	93·8	100·3
118·8	94·2	Japanese Fund	91·0	97·5
117·7	92·7	Jap. Smaller Co's Fd	89·1	95·2
117·8	[illegible]	Singapore & Mal. Fd	90·3	96·5
$1·055	$1·038	Dollar Fixed Int'est	$0·982	$1·055
101·0	96·7	Sterling Fixed In'est	96·8	103·8
5·078	5·015	Deutschemark Curr'y	—	5·078
1·030	1·008	Dollar Currency	—	1·030
1·045	1·006	Sterling Currency	—	1·043
204·1	200·7	Yen Currency	—	204·1
106·9	95·9	Managed Currency	90·9	97·4

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FUND MANAGERS LTD.
31 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh
031-556 9101

139·0	126·7	Income Units	119·2	*126·9
188·6	161·2	Accum. Units	172·3	*183·4

SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD.
109 St Vincent Street, Glasgow
041-248 6100

105·8	98·8	Gilts & Fixed Int'est	99·2	105·5
134·6	118·9	U.K. Equity	123·6	131·5
106·5	100·0	UK Sm Co's Eq U Tst	99·5	105·8
102·4	100·0	European Unit Tst	96·4	102·5
100·0	95·3	Nth American Un Ts	89·5	95·2
100·9	94·8	Pacific Unit Tst	90·9	96·7

SCOTTISH UNIT MANAGERS LTD
29 Charlotte Square, Edinburgh EH2 4HA
031-226 4372

38·0	30·4	World Growth Fd	28·7	30·7
33·3	35·0	Pacific Fd	33·2	35·6
36·7	34·0	Income Fund	33·9	36·5
36·2	29·6	Nth. American Fd	30·0	32·1

SCOTTISH WIDOWS' FUND MANAGEMENT
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU
031-655 6000

215·8	197·0	Pegasus Equity Acc	200·6	213·5

STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ
031-225 2552

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
231·0	187·5	Income Units	184·6	*197·2
215·9	199·8	Accum. Units	198·3	212·6

STEWART UNIT TST MANAGERS LTD.
45, Charlotte Sq., Edinburgh
031-226 3271

220·0	177·4	American Fund	181·4	193·2
127·5	107·9	Australia Fund	106·0	112·8
453·5	387·9	British Capital Fund	425·9	455·5
184·4	166·3	European Fund	166·3	177·2
230·9	186·3	Japan Fund	176·7	188·2
125·1	92·7	Income PPP	117·8	123·4

SUN ALLIANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Sun Alliance House, Horsham
0403 56293

336·6	315·7	Equity	310·6	330·4
61·5	50·6	North America	48·2	51·2
59·0	49·3	Far East	47·1	50·1

TSB UNIT TRUST
PO Box 3 Keens House, Andover, Hants. SP10 1PG. 0264 62188
Dealings: 0264 63432-3

130·2	121·6	Gen Inc	117·1	124·6
208·2	193·3	Gen Acc	186·2	198·1
477·8	435·8	Intl Inc	271·7	289·0
325·0	294·6	Intl Acc	269·8	287·1
178·1	154·1	Inc Inc	158·5	168·5
282·6	257·6	Inc Acc	233·8	248·8
135·6	110·4	Pacific Inc	106·1	112·9
138·1	112·2	Pacific Acc	107·9	114·8
116·0	93·0	American Inc	93·9	99·9
121·5	101·2	American Acc	96·5	102·8
60·6	46·5	Selected Opps Inc	46·7	*49·7
54·4	49·8	Selected Opps Acc	50·1	53·4
92·1	86·9	Extra Inc Inc	85·3	90·8
102·1	95·2	Extra Inc Acc	95·0	101·1
49·1	46·4	Gilt & Fix Int Inc	46·3	*49·2
56·3	55·0	Gilt & Fix Int Acc	55·8	58·2
56·2	51·6	Natural Res Inc	49·2	52·4
58·2	51·6	Natural Res Acc	49·6	52·8

TARGET TST MNGRS LTD
Target House, Gatehouse Rd., Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941

86·4	68·1	Amer Eagle Fd	64·8	69·3
35·6	29·0	Australia Fd	28·4	30·3
114·4	98·1	Commodity Fd	105·1	113·0
52·6	45·3	Energy Fd	47·9	51·2
108·4	97·7	Equity Fd	98·8	105·5
50·0	50·0	Euro. Spec. Sits Fd.	46·8	50·0
97·0	88·3	Extra Inc. Fd	85·0	90·9
213·7	138·2	Financial Fd	190·5	205·0
221·8	209·3	Gilt Cap. Fd	211·9	221·9
107·8	102·4	Gilt Inc. Fd	101·1	105·2
79·4	65·6	Gold Fd	70·2	75·2
149·7	118·0	Gold Fd. Acc	126·6	136·1
53·1	57·8	Income Fd	59·1	*62·5
115·7	100·4	Inv. Tst. Fd	98·0	104·5
55·0	44·2	Japan Fd	42·4	45·2
35·0	29·4	Malaysia & Sing. Fd.	27·3	*29·1
82·6	67·5	Pacific Fd	65·2	69·7
100·1	81·7	Pacific Re. Inv	78·9	84·4
16·7	15·7	Pref. Share Fd	14·9	*16·1
503·7	436·1	Professional Fd	465·2	*496·2
91·9	78·2	Special Sits. Fd	84·3	90·6
58·7	43·5	Technology Fd	40·8	43·6
56·5	49·7	U.S.Special Bond Fd	47·3	*50·6
126·0	109·9	Worldwide Cap. Fd.	111·8	119·3
685·5	586·9	Equity Exempt Fd	632·1	674·2
1259·2	1055·8	Equity Exempt FdAc	1181·8	1259·2

TEMPLE BAR UNIT TST MNGRS
Electra House, Temple Place, Victoria Embankment, London WC2R 3HP. 01-836 7766

38·8	38·1	Gilt Tst	37·9	39·3
44·8	42·0	High Inc. Tst	41·8	*44·8
133·1	103·9	Nth. American Tst	104·5	*111·2
122·9	100·7	Recovery Tst	115·0	*122·3
69·7	56·5	St.Vinc't High.IncTst	64·0	68·1
65·4	65·6	St.Vinc't U.S.GrthT	67·5	70·4

TOUCHE, REMNANT UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
Mermaid House, 2 Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT. 01-236 6565

47·3	43·0	Inc. & Growth Fd	43·5	46·8
43·9	35·7	Overseas Growth Fd	34·2	36·5
31·4	25·5	American Gro'th Fd	25·3	27·3
40·8	34·2	General Growth Fd	37·4	39·8
35·6	28·3	Global Tech Fd	28·9	30·8
40·8	38·9	Inc. Monthly Fd	37·9	40·4
45·9	33·3	Smaller Co's Fd	39·1	*41·6
45·0	33·3	Special Opp. Fd	41·4	44·6

TRANSATLANTIC & GENERAL SECURITIES COMPANY LTD

394·3	330·5	Coleuco (Inc.)	353·1	*376·8
626·8	582·1	Coleuco (Acc.)	575·0	601·6
165·4	128·6	S.& W. American Tst.	131·6	137·7

TYNDALL MANAGERS LIMITED
18 Canynge Rd, Bristol BS99 7UA
0272 732241

77·5	64·5	Australian Secs	65·8	68·3
79·2	66·1	Australian Acc	65·4	70·0
287·0	271·0	Capital Fd	263·6	*279·6
492·8	464·0	Capital Acc	455·0	482·4
55·6	51·2	Euro Grth Fd. Acc.	50·9	54·0
512·3	459·0	Exempt Fd	474·0	506·0
499·6	462·5	Exempt Acc	465·2	499·6
154·1	130·7	Far East Fd	125·7	*132·7
163·5	138·8	Far East Acc	131·5	140·8
41·4	38·6	Fin & Prop Fd	38·2	41·2
62·7	57·6	Fin & Prop Acc	58·4	62·2
116·6	110·8	Gilt Cap Tst	112·1	*116·6
150·2	140·5	Gilt Cap Acc	143·4	150·2
127·1	119·1	Gilt Inc Tst	121·3	127·1
159·2	151·6	Gilt Inc Acc	152·5	159·2
43·5	40·5	High Yield Fd	40·3	*42·1
69·0	61·8	High Yield Acc	61·9	64·7
181·6	165·4	Income Fd	169·4	*179·6
527·8	486·8	Income Acc	490·4	522·4
141·8	133·6	Intl Earn Fd	127·0	*135·4
158·2	150·0	Intnl Earn Acc	146·0	154·5
59·8	50·5	Intnl Grth Fd	51·5	54·5
68·7	59·5	Intnl Grth Acc	55·2	58·9
94·7	66·0	Japan Grth Fd. Acc	64·6	68·6
228·8	197·8	Nat Res Fd	200·4	*213·2
314·4	277·8	Nat Res Acc	284·8	302·9
135·4	120·8	Nth Amer Grth Fd	105·1	112·9
143·3	128·5	Nth Amer Grt Acc	112·0	119·1
100·3	91·0	Pref. Fd	94·0	100·1
282·4	245·8	Pref. Acc	262·2	282·4
333·4	307·8	Scot. Inc. Fd	312·6	333·4
354·6	315·6	Scot. Inc. Acc	330·5	354·6
159·4	140·8	Small Cos Fd	145·3	154·5
303·9	269·9	Small Cos Acc	283·3	303·9
90·7	79·7	Special Sits Fd	85·7	91·2
97·7	82·8	Special Acc	91·7	97·4

WARBURG INVEST. MNGMT. (IOM) LTD.

65·6	62·2	Merc. Isle of Man Fd	61·9	64·9
46·4	41·6	Merc Intnl Bnd Fnd.	39·3	41·8

WARDLEY UNIT TST. MANAGERS LTD.
7 Devonshire Sq., London EC2M 4HN
01-626 4411

61·5	62·3	Japan Grth	60·7	64·7
68·6	54·7	American	60·0	64·1
81·2	68·1	Natural Resources	53·1	56·9
79·0	65·9	Far East & Gen.	63·6	67·9
65·4	59·3	Income	58·0	*62·4
103·6	97·3	U.K.	97·3	103·6
119·3	103·0	Small Companies	110·4	118·8
44·1	31·5	Technology	35·4	38·0
44·6	38·9	Australia	32·6	35·6
26·7	25·0	European Growth	30·7	*33·1

WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD.
13 Charlotte Square, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ
031-225 1551

20·7	18·0	Australian Gold Fd	19·4	20·7
27·5	19·1	Pacific Bas En Fd	18·6	19·9

WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS,
2, Honey Lane, London, EC2V 8BT.
01-606 9085

55·8	54·7	Short Dated Gilt Fd	54·9	55·8

ANTHONY WIELER UNIT TST. MNGMT. LTD.

67·9	64·2	Growth Fd	61·0	65·4
92·0	87·0	Growth Acc	83·0	89·3

INSURANCE, PROPERTY, BONDS, ETC.

ABBEY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Abbey Life House, 80, Holdenhurst Rd., Bournemouth. BH8 8AL. 0202 292373

231·5	221·4	Prop. Ser. 1	210·6	221·7
88·6	82·9	Equity Ser. 1	82·2	86·5
293·8	287·0	Prop. Acc. Ser. 2	273·0	287·4
91·6	85·7	Equity Acc. Ser. 2	85·0	89·5
219·6	201·6	Selective Acc	204·4	215·5
208·9	200·4	Money Series3	198·4	208·9
224·1	213·1	Conv. Ser.3	212·8	224·1
232·5	229·8	Prop. Ser. 4	214·7	225·1
97·1	91·6	Equity Ser. 4	90·0	94·8
172·9	162·6	Fixed Int. Ser. 4	164·2	172·9
117·9	112·5	Indexed Inv. Ser. 4	108·3	114·1
259·1	218·0	American Ser. 4	222·3	234·0
229·9	216·0	High Inc. Ser. 4	216·5	227·9
221·5	174·4	Japan Ser. 4	168·0	176·9
315·8	287·7	Man. Ser. 4	287·5	302·7
188·6	184·3	Money Ser. 4	187·6	198·5
188·3	184·4	Convertible Ser. 4	178·8	188·3
162·7	155·6	Property S. 4 Cap	147·8	155·6
65·9	63·6	Equity Ser. 4 Cap	61·8	65·1
219·7	208·8	Managed S. 4 Cap	198·8	209·3
130·2	128·2	Money Ser. 4 Cap	123·6	130·2
161·4	151·7	Fixed Int. Ser. 4 Cap	151·7	159·7
105·7	101·0	Indexed Inv. S. 4 Cap	96·3	101·4
239·1	216·6	American Ser. 4 Cap.	204·2	215·7
213·1	203·5	High Inc. Ser. 4 Cap.	199·5	210·0
204·9	160·8	Japan Ser. 4 Cap.	154·7	162·9

Pension Funds

366·1	359·4	Property	342·2	360·2
602·1	552·2	Equity	535·1	563·3
237·3	219·0	Selective	211·8	223·0
515·0	482·2	Managed	482·8	508·2
307·9	287·7	Security	292·5	307·9
176·3	165·3	Fixed Int	167·3	176·1
119·9	114·5	Indexed Inv	110·1	115·9
206·6	169·6	American	175·5	184·8
214·1	178·9	Japan	162·3	170·9
215·9	207·0	Property Cap	196·3	206·7
353·0	322·4	Equity Cap	311·8	328·3
298·4	282·5	Managed Cap	265·9	281·0
175·1	165·3	Security Cap	166·3	175·1
135·3	126·8	Fixed Int. Cap	125·2	132·9
101·7	95·3	Indexed Inv. Cap	91·6	96·4
184·5	153·1	American Cap	156·2	164·5
190·3	150·4	Japan Cap	143·8	151·4
66·6	63·0	Moneywise Frdly Soc	62·5	66·5

AITKEN HUME (GUERNSEY) LTD.
Berthelot House, 5 Berthelot St, St Peter Port, Guernsey, CI

13·50	8·65	Sterling Mon Inc Acc	—	12·875
14·09	8·75	Sterling Treasry Acc	—	13·00

ALBANY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Station House, Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, Herts 0707-42311

601·7	556·9	Life Equity	556·8	586·0
271·1	261·6	Life Fixed Int	256·3	270·3
163·7	153·8	Life Int. Fixed Int	150·0	157·8
184·1	153·0	Life Japanese	147·1	154·8
160·3	155·2	Life Nth. American	138·0	145·2
300·8	286·9	Life Property	286·0	300·8
258·2	255·0	Life Int. Managed	243·8	256·6
446·2	413·3	Life Multiple	406·8	428·0
946·5	819·1	Pension Equity	879·9	927·2
397·5	355·6	Pens. Int. Managed	317·1	333·8
747·2	683·7	Pension Multiple	677·2	712·8
134·8	121·8	Life European	122·9	129·3
169·6	169·3	Life Guarant'd money	169·3	178·2
143·9	127·0	Pension European	130·7	137·5
425·3	415·2	Pens'on Fixed Intl	460·0	484·2
299·3	288·7	Pen. Guarant'd Money	284·3	299·3
177·1	140·6	Pension Nth America	150·3	158·2
209·2	168·3	Pens on Japanese	162·3	170·8
296·2	277·0	Pension Property	272·0	286·3

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES (C.I.)

85·2	75·9	Government Sec. Tst.	75·0	78·6

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOC.

109·7	105·3	Gold Plan cap.	105·7	109·2
110·5	105·3	Gold Plan acc.	104·8	110·1

BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
252, Romford Road, London E7 9JB. 01-534 5544

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
299·7	284·3	Barclaybond	278·4	293·1
340·5	317·9	Equity Acc	318·0	334·8
315·5	249·7	Equity Init	292·2	307·6
189·8	180·3	Gilt-Edged Acc	180·3	189·8
178·0	168·4	Gilt-Edged Init	167·2	176·0
232·5	222·3	International Acc	194·3	204·6
217·4	186·4	International Init	179·1	188·6
265·8	242·8	Managed Acc	237·5	250·1
238·5	225·4	Managed Init	219·2	230·8
328·9	313·9	Managed Pen. Acc	308·1	324·3
108·9	100·0	Man.Pen.Init (Ser.2)	101·0	106·4
214·7	212·5	Property Acc	203·9	214·7
199·4	196·9	Property Init	189·4	199·4
117·9	109·6	Equity Pen. Acc	109·8	115·7
115·1	107·9	Eq. Pen. Init (Ser. 2)	106·0	111·7
254·9	238·6	Gilt-Edged Pen. Acc.	242·0	254·9
105·1	100·0	Gilt-Edged Pen Init (S2)	98·0	103·2

BRITANNIC UNIT LINKED ASSURANCE LTD

187·1	173·2	Managed Fund	177·7	187·1
112·0	111·2	Property Fund	106·4	112·0

BRITISH NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD.
Perrymount Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 3TP. 0444 41411

145·8	143·9	Managed	137·9	145·2
148·5	142·8	Property	140·9	147·6
180·9	166·8	Equity	171·8	180·9
126·8	119·7	New Technology	115·4	121·4
165·0	155·5	International	148·5	156·3
135·5	118·8	Fixed Interest	121·8	128·2
115·3	113·1	Deposit	109·5	115·3

CANNON ASSURANCE LTD
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, Middlesex HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876

150·16	137·12	Equity Unit	—	150·04
700·3	649·5	Equity Acc	—	698·2
443·2	404·8	Managed Acc	—	425·0
£19·17	£18·91	Property Unit	—	£19·15
£29·45	£27·84	Bal Bond Exe. Unit	£26·68	£28·35
£33·93	£31·99	Equity Bond Exec.	£31·99	£33·65
£26·53	£24·22	Prop. Bond Exec.	£25·06	£25·52
241·3	189·3	Sec. America Acc	188·9	199·9
261·5	247·1	Sec. Equity Acc	236·4	253·7
115·1	[illegible]	Sec. Far East Acc	107·3	113·5
166·3	155·0	Sec. Gilt Acc	157·2	166·3
156·1	152·0	Sec. Int. Money Acc	156·9	165·0
211·7	200·6	Sec. Managed Acc	192·0	205·2
199·8	197·8	Sec. Property Acc	189·7	199·7
366·0	300·2	Sec. Am. Pens. Acc	287·0	303·7
390·9	363·5	Sec. Eq. Pens. Acc	368·3	389·7
128·6	114·5	Sec. F. East Pens Ac.	109·0	115·3
224·3	206·1	Sec. Gilt Pens. Acc	212·0	224·3
229·3	215·1	Sec. Int. Mon. P. Ac	203·4	215·2
287·5	269·2	Sec. Man. Pens. Acc	260·2	274·3
268·5	253·0	Sec. Prop. Pens. Acc	253·9	268·7
95·0	88·3	L.&E.S.I.F.	85·5	90·5
63·0	59·5	L.&E.S.I.F.(2)	56·5	60·0
225·0	209·9	Sec. High Inc. Acc	212·7	225·1
247·7	228·9	Sec. HighInc.Pen.Ac	234·1	247·7

CITY OF EDINBURGH LIFE ASSURANCE
46, Charlotte Square, Edinburgh
031-225 1655

126·0	110·0	Ivory & Sime Bond	113·8	119·0

CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL
Narrow Plain, Bristol, BS2 0JH
(0272) 290566

Assurance Funds

110·0	104·7	Mixed	101·2	106·6
117·5	106·3	Equity	110·5	116·4
108·0	100·6	Property	96·8	102·0
103·4	97·0	Gilt & Fixed Int	96·2	101·4
105·4	97·5	Indexed Secs	95·5	100·6
104·4	100·9	Cash	97·7	102·9
108·5	98·9	North American	94·4	99·4
108·6	88·0	Far East	84·6	89·1
114·3	98·7	International	96·0	101·1
113·6	104·5	Special Sits	100·7	106·0
116·6	107·6	International Inco'e	106·9	112·6
120·5	107·2	American Income	102·6	108·1

Flexible Retirement Plan Funds

112·6	104·5	Mixed	99·2	104·5
115·3	106·8	Equity	106·4	112·1
104·6	102·1	Property	99·3	104·6
104·8	97·1	Gilt & Fixed Int	99·5	104·8
105·6	98·0	Index Linked	95·5	101·6
104·6	101·6	Cash	99·3	104·6
120·6	98·5	North American	94·0	99·0
108·4	88·0	Far East	85·5	90·0
114·9	99·2	International	96·1	101·2
117·0	105·5	Special Sits	103·1	108·6

E.I.P.P. Funds
Prices on Apr 10 Unit dealings on Wednesday

175·7	165·9	UK Equity	160·3	168·8
166·5	154·5	Overseas	151·9	159·9
157·8	132·0	Stock Exchange	145·5	153·2
117·4	112·5	Property	114·8	120·8
120·9	118·2	Fixed Interest	121·9	128·3
122·1	120·4	Index Linked	101·3	107·7
124·3	120·3	Cash	117·9	124·1
124·6	103·9	North American	99·2	104·5
119·4	102·4	Far East	97·2	102·4
114·7	103·8	Special Sits	101·3	106·7

COMMERCIAL UNION GROUP
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ. 01-283 7500

190·5	178·0	Prime Life Mngd	178·1	187·5
207·35	182·15	Variable An-Acc Un	—	203·19
48·36	41·26	Variable An-An Un	—	43·52
199·8	179·5	Prime Life Uk Eqty	187·9	197·2
173·0	147·8	Prime Life Intl Eqty	141·9	149·4
121·5	108·4	Prime Inv. Tsts	106·2	111·8
126·5	117·5	Prime Life Fix. Int	119·9	126·2
104·0	97·0	Prime Life In.Ld.Glt	95·2	100·2
130·7	118·0	Prime Life Property	120·4	126·7
114·5	111·7	Prime Life Cash	108·7	114·5
165·1	159·9	Prime Pens. Mngd	157·1	165·4
178·1	171·2	PrimePens.UK Eqty	170·0	178·9
155·2	137·2	PrimePensIntnlEq	133·1	140·0
131·3	107·7	PrimePens.Fix-Int	111·8	117·8
109·7	108·3	PrimePenInLnkdGlt	100·2	105·5
118·8	111·7	PrimePens.Property	110·1	115·9
113·7	109·5	Prime Pens. Cash	108·0	113·7

CONFEDERATION LIFE INS. CO.
52, Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1HE
01-242 0282

491·5	486·0	Managed Fd	467·0	491·5
155·5	125·4	Equity Fd	138·7	145·9
155·5	152·4	Fixed Int. Fd	157·3	165·5
120·1	118·8	Property Fd	114·7	120·7
186·8	171·3	Intnl. Fd	176·0	185·3
114·6	108·8	Index Linked Fd	108·2	114·9
131·7	119·8	Cash Deposit Fd	115·7	121·7
£13·57	£12·87	E.I.P. Fd	£13·25	£13·57
293·1	276·7	PersonalPenMngdFd	276·1	290·6
283·3	249·7	StangaurdMgdPnFd	269·2	283·3

CORNHILL INSURANCE PLC

428·5	407·5	Managed Fd	396·5	417·5
197·0	184·0	Equity Fd	180·5	190·5
140·5	125·5	FarEasternEquity Fd	119·0	125·5
134·5	111·5	Nth.Amer.Equity Fd	115·0	121·5
128·5	112·5	Intnl. Tech. Fd	106·5	112·5
136·0	130·0	Fixed Interest Fd	133·5	140·5
111·0	106·5	Property Fd	103·5	109·0
134·0	132·0	Money Fd	127·0	134·0

Crescent Life Assurance Prices see LAS Group

CRITERION ASSURANCE GROUP
Swan Court, Petersfield, Hants
0730-63281

127·4	113·4	Criterion Man Fd	119·3	125·5
41·9	37·0	Pension Man Cap	38·7	40·8
44·8	40·3	Pension Man Acc	42·5	44·8
—	—	Pen Gnteed Dep Cap	—	—
31·0	29·9	Pen Gnteed Dep Acc	29·4	31·0

CROWN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT LTD.
Crown House, Woking, GU21 1XW.
(04862) 5033

Life Funds

259·4	244·4	Managed Acc	240·4	253·0
201·5	189·9	Fixed Int Acc	190·7	200·7
292·2	260·0	Equity Acc	272·6	286·9
165·8	160·4	Money Acc	157·6	165·8
322·0	288·6	Inv Tst Acc	294·4	309·8
272·3	252·4	Intl Acc	226·3	238·2
246·8	229·0	High Inc Acc	231·8	244·0
172·3	163·9	Property Acc	165·7	172·3
101·0	91·7	European Acc	91·8	96·6
100·0	84·0	Japanese Acc	81·3	85·5
100·0	90·7	American Acc	86·7	91·2

Individual Pension Fds

220·4	206·4	Managed Acc	204·6	215·3
189·6	176·7	Fixed Int Acc	177·9	187·2
298·1	277·9	Equity Acc	278·0	292·6
150·1	146·1	Money Acc	142·6	150·0

Group Pension Funds

295·0	276·0	Mixed	278·4	288·1
195·3	184·0	Fixed Int	193·4	195·3
304·2	285·3	Equity	288·3	298·7
163·1	173·1	Money	163·1	163·1

EAGLE STAR INSURANCE MIDLAND ASSURANCE

138·1	130·5	Eagle Midland Units	129·7	134·5

EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
4, Coleman Street, London EC2R 5AP
01-606 6611

114·3	101·2	Far Eastern	98·0	105·2
114·0	108·8	Fund of Inv. Tsts	102·9	108·3
105·8	98·1	Gilt & Fixed Int	98·6	103·8
116·1	103·8	High Income	109·2	114·9
107·4	100·4	Managed	101·2	106·5
103·6	100·5	Money	97·5	102·6
120·4	101·6	North American	97·4	102·5
113·2	100·8	Pelican	106·1	111·7
108·9	100·3	Property	97·9	102·9
115·6	104·2	Special Sits	109·6	115·4

Pension Funds

118·7	101·0	Pens. Far Eastern	98·4	103·6
116·0	105·1	Pens. Fund of Inv. Ts	104·5	110·0
104·5	97·5	Pens. Gilt & Fix Int.	99·3	104·5
120·5	106·8	Pens. High Income	112·9	118·8
110·3	101·3	Pens. Mngd	103·3	108·7
104·5	100·0	Pens. Money	99·3	104·5
126·8	101·6	Pens. Nth. American	97·9	103·0
116·2	100·9	Pens. Pelican	109·5	114·8
103·7	100·5	Pens. Property	99·5	104·7
119·8	104·9	Pens Special Sits	113·6	119·6

EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY PLC
Amersham Road, High Wycombe
0494 33377

Life Funds

357·2	325·7	UK Equities Fd	333·7	351·4
305·9	274·0	Higher Income Fd	285·3	300·8
246·1	242·0	Property Fd	233·8	246·1
214·2	202·6	Fixed Interest Fd	203·5	214·2
111·2	102·5	Index Linked Secs F	102·0	107·3
157·6	153·6	Guaranteed Dep. Fd	159·3	167·6
274·3	235·2	North America Fd	213·4	224·6
199·8	164·0	Far East Fd	158·6	166·8
137·9	129·3	Europe Fd	125·8	132·2
257·0	203·5	International Fd	196·7	207·0
299·6	277·9	Mixed Fd	280·5	295·1

Ind. Pen. Funds Series 2: Series 1 on request

440·9	388·8	Equity Fund	386·3	406·6
240·9	224·1	Fixed Interest Fund	218·5	230·0
131·6	126·9	Ind. Linked Sec. Fd.	120·7	127·0
188·4	185·5	Property Fund	185·1	194·8
367·9	318·4	Overseas Fund	329·2	346·4
187·9	170·4	Cash Fund	178·6	187·9
285·9	265·5	Balanced Fund	274·1	288·5
102·9	100·0	Dep. Admin Fd Ser. 2	97·8	102·9
195·8	186·0	Dep. Admin Fd Ser. 1	186·1	195·8

FRAMLINGTON LIFE INSURANCE LIMITED

52·6	48·6	Pension Managed Fd	48·6	51·4
51·5	50·0	Pension Cash Fd	51·1	51·7

FRIENDS' PROVIDENT LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey
0306 885055

112·8	109·4	Cash Accum	106·4	112·0
150·2	140·2	UK Equity Accum	140·5	147·9
129·3	118·3	Stewardship Accum	122·8	129·3
115·3	108·2	Fixed Interest Acc	109·3	115·1
105·6	98·9	Index Linked Accum	96·6	101·7
131·0	124·7	Mixed Accum	122·9	129·1
116·9	99·2	Overseas Equity Acc	117·6	123·8
123·9	118·6	Property Accum	116·9	123·1
121·0	115·4	Pen. Cash Accum	113·6	119·6
150·8	139·8	Pen.U.K. Equity Acc	140·7	148·2
133·5	121·9	Pen.StewardshipAcc	125·8	131·8
125·5	121·4	Pen.FixedIntAccum	117·3	123·5
106·2	99·6	Pen. I. L Accum	97·2	102·4
135·0	127·1	Pen. Mixed Accum	125·6	132·3
119·4	104·5	Pen.OverseasAccum	130·2	137·1
113·3	110·9	Pen.Property Accum	105·5	113·3

GRE LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE LTD

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
156·6	153·1	Deposit Acc	148·8	156·6
429·2	385·9	Equity Acc	396·8	417·7
249·1	230·9	Fixed Interest Acc	236·8	249·2
109·5	102·5	Index-LinkedGiltAc.	99·0	104·2
365·9	305·4	International Acc	294·2	309·7
282·0	264·1	Managed Initial	262·1	275·6
323·8	301·8	Managed Acc	301·0	316·8
148·1	132·7	North Amer. Acc	125·5	129·6
150·1	125·6	Pacific Acc	119·1	125·3
150·9	146·2	Property Acc	143·4	150·9

G.T. MANAGEMENT (U.K.) LIMITED LONDON AGENTS

$8·75	$7·79	Anchor Internation.	$8·74	$8·75

GENERAL ACCIDENT LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE

100·4	95·2	Managed	90·7	95·5
103·8	100·0	UK Equity	98·1	103·3
104·3	100·0	Fixed Interest	99·0	104·2
100·4	98·4	Index-Linked	94·2	99·3
101·1	100·0	Cash Deposit	96·0	101·1
100·9	100·0	Property	95·9	100·9
100·5	88·9	International	85·1	89·6
103·2	88·1	American	84·5	88·7
101·2	86·8	Japan	83·6	88·3
100·9	87·5	Japan Smaller Co's	84·5	89·9
102·5	100·0	Pen Man Acc	96·5	98·4
104·4	100·0	Pen UK Equity Acc	98·5	103·7
104·0	100·0	Pen Fixed Int Acc	97·4	102·5
100·6	99·2	Pen Ind-Linked Acc	95·5	100·6
101·6	100·0	Pen Cash Dep Acc	96·5	101·5
101·6	100·0	Pen Prop Acc	96·4	101·5
100·7	88·7	Pen Inter Acc	85·2	89·7
100·6	90·9	Pen American Acc	86·8	91·5
102·1	86·7	Pen Japan Acc	86·2	90·7
101·2	85·6	Pen Jap Sml Co's Acc	83·2	87·6

GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE INSURANCE PLC
Valley House, Cross Brook Street, Cheshunt, Hertfordshire.
0992 31971

358·0	297·0	Portfolio Acc	—	325·0
136·1	102·9	Managed Acc	127·6	134·4
141·6	116·2	Managed Pens	132·9	140·0
132·1	97·5	Intnl. Mngd. Acc	116·3	124·6
157·0	114·2	Intnl. Mngd. Pens	121·5	128·0
104·5	101·7	Building Soc. Acc	99·1	104·5
107·0	100·0	Building Soc. Pens.	101·6	107·0

For Other Prices Phone 0992 31971.

GRESHAM UNIT ASSURANCE LTD
2-6 Prince of Wales Road, Bournemouth
0202-767655

361·5	288·8	Managed Fund	333·3	351·2
176·8	161·9	Money Fund	168·1	176·9
329·7	235·2	Equity Fund	291·8	307·5
133·7	117·3	Fixed Interest Fund	126·9	133·7
198·0	186·8	Property Fund	187·9	198·0
344·8	271·9	Managed Pens on Fd	327·2	344·8
230·2	175·6	Equity PensionFund	206·2	217·3
194·7	178·4	Fixed Int.PensionFd	184·8	194·7
154·2	136·2	Property Pension Fd	146·5	154·2

GRESHAM/FRAMLINGTON FUNDS

310·7	224·8	American&Genrl.Fd	254·9	268·6
284·8	212·9	Income Fund	262·8	276·9
334·6	254·3	International GrthFd	283·3	298·4
320·2	218·7	Capital Fund	297·8	313·8
213·9	158·0	Recovery Fund	191·7	202·0
132·5	90·0	Japan & General Fd	101·2	106·6

HAMBRO LIFE ASSURANCE PLC
Allied Hambro Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL. 0793 28291

212·7	208·6	Fixed Int. Dep. Acc.	202·0	212·7
545·0	511·4	Equity Acc	505·2	531·8
318·5	315·5	Property Acc	302·5	318·5
119·8	104·2	Far East Acc	98·9	104·2
284·6	275·6	Managed Cap	266·5	280·6
447·6	429·4	Managed Acc	419·8	441·9
562·1	541·8	O'Seas Earnings Acc.	541·2	559·2
239·8	231·7	Gilt Edged Acc	227·8	239·8
353·5	302·9	American Equity Acc	299·1	314·9
178·3	157·7	American Man. Acc	149·8	157·7
122·8	119·8	American Prop. Acc.	116·6	122·8
232·7	227·2	Pen. F.I. Dep. Cap	221·0	232·7
344·9	333·0	Pen. F.I. Dep. Acc	327·6	344·9
389·8	388·0	Pen. Prop. Cap	370·3	389·8
637·8	627·9	Pen. Prop. Acc	605·9	637·8
555·7	528·3	Pen. Man. Cap	519·3	546·7
906·0	855·5	Pen. Man. Acc	849·5	894·3
253·4	237·9	Pen. Gilt Cap	240·7	253·4
338·7	315·4	Pen. Gilt Acc	321·7	338·7
868·9	806·2	Pen. Eq. Cap	800·9	843·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pen. Eq. Acc	883·2	[illegible]
149·4	124·0	Pen. Am. Eq. Cap	124·9	131·5
155·4	129·2	Pen. Am. Eq. Acc	130·6	137·5
139·3	126·6	Pen. Far East Cap	108·7	114·5
138·8	126·6	Pen. Far East Acc	113·7	119·7
240·5	233·4	Pen. B.S. Cap	228·5	240·5
346·3	337·6	Pen. B.S. Acc	330·7	346·3
178·4	164·1	Pen. DAF Cap	169·5	178·4
237·1	218·5	Pen. DAF Acc	[illegible]	237·1
109·4	106·3	Pen. Mortgage Cap	103·9	109·4
114·4	110·0	Pen. Mortgage Acc	108·6	114·4

HEARTS OF OAK BENEFIT SOCIETY
129 Kingsway, London WC2B 6NF
01-404 0393

52·1	51·6	Property Fund	49·3	51·5
154·3	136·6	Managed Fund	145·6	153·8
120·4	117·0	Pens Managed Fund	114·3	120·4

HENDERSON UNIT TST MNGMT LTD
26 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1DA
01-638 5757

206·5	182·5	Cap. Grwth. Fd	194·2	204·7
102·9	86·9	European Fund	94·8	99·9
264·8	227·1	Far East Fd	221·5	233·5
290·0	232·2	Nth. Am. Fd	231·4	244·4
265·1	238·1	Special Sits Fd	225·8	238·1
141·3	127·3	Prime Res. Prop. Fd	126·6	133·5
156·8	136·4	Managed Fd	140·5	148·0
245·4	227·2	High Inc. Fd	218·8	230·4
211·7	180·8	High Inc. Fd	198·1	208·6
206·1	167·4	Tech. Fd	163·6	172·3
98·5	93·7	Gilt Edged Fd	91·4	96·3
134·5	128·9	Deposit Fd	127·6	134·4
135·6	123·9	Natural Res. Fd	119·1	125·5
118·8	103·5	Intl. Currency Fd	105·5	111·1
125·5	109·7	Glob HealthcareFd	102·7	108·2
130·0	108·3	Prop. Fd	123·3	130·0

HILL SAMUEL LIFE ASSURANCE
NLA Tower, 12-16, Addiscombe Road, Croydon CR9 2DR. 01-686 4355

206·6	188·5	Security Fd	195·0	205·3
205·1	186·6	British Fd	191·5	201·6
225·8	206·2	International Fd.	200·0	210·6
199·1	158·7	Dollar Fd	172·0	181·1
201·9	185·3	Capital Fd	189·5	199·5
230·9	212·9	Income Fd	218·8	230·4
210·8	198·5	Property Fd. Ser. A	191·5	201·6
325·4	321·6	Property Fd Ser. S	309·9	325·4
184·8	166·2	Financial Fd	170·5	179·5
232·5	218·5	Managed Fd. Ser. A	219·7	231·3
403·6	379·0	Managed Ser. S	381·6	401·7
215·9	201·1	High Yield Fd	204·6	215·4
153·6	150·3	Money Fd. Ser A	145·4	153·6
254·5	234·4	Equity Fd	239·0	251·6
188·5	175·2	Fix. Int. Fd	179·0	188·5
110·7	105·5	Index Sec. Fd	101·9	107·7
233·9	213·2	European Fd	214·3	226·9
147·5	130·4	Nat. Res. Fd	137·4	144·7
295·1	255·4	Far East Fd	248·1	261·4
211·6	183·1	Smaller Co's Fd	200·0	210·6
215·4	193·7	Spec. Sits. Fd	204·4	215·2
135·3	131·8	Man. Curr. Fd	125·9	132·6
129·4	107·3	Jap. Tech. Fd	104·0	109·5
110·0	107·1	Pen Prop Ser. A	104·5	110·0
107·4	105·4	Pen Prop Ser C	102·0	107·4
123·1	115·8	Pen Man Ser A	116·9	123·1
120·3	114·2	Pen Man Ser C	114·2	120·3
107·7	105·0	Pen G'teed Ser A	102·3	107·7
104·9	103·0	Pen G'teed Ser C	99·6	104·9
141·6	120·6	Pen Equity Ser A	125·0	131·6
127·1	117·1	Pen Equity Ser C	120·7	127·1
111·7	107·9	Pen Fix Int Ser A	106·1	111·7
108·8	105·6	Pen Fix Int Ser C	103·3	108·8
108·5	105·1	Pen Ind Secs Ser A	102·6	108·0
107·4	102·9	Pen Ind Secs Ser C	99·8	105·1
130·3	115·8	Pen Intern'l Ser A	116·0	122·4
135·5	113·9	Pen Intern'l Ser C	112·3	112·3
126·2	110·3	Pen Dollar Ser A	110·0	115·8
123·4	108·5	Pen Dollar Ser C	107·3	113·0
127·0	113·6	Pen European Ser A	116·2	122·4
124·6	111·7	Pen European Ser C	113·4	119·4
140·5	126·5	Pen Far East Ser A	124·0	130·6
134·7	123·2	Pen Far East Ser C	118·6	124·9
108·1	105·5	Pen Man Curr Ser A	101·0	106·4
107·0	103·8	Pen Man Curr Ser C	98·6	103·8
109·3	106·0	Pen Bldg Soc Ser A	103·8	109·3
108·5	104·2	Pen Bldg Soc Ser C	101·1	106·5

IMPERIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA
Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford 571255

229·7	200·7	Growth Fd.	203·1	220·7

Unit-Linked Portfolio

209·3	199·4	Managed Fd	198·0	208·4
197·4	188·6	Fixed Int. Fd	187·1	196·9
161·9	158·5	Secure Cap Fd	153·8	161·9
364·2	314·7	Equity Fd	346·0	364·2
166·6	163·5	Property Fd	158·3	166·6

Pension Fd Portfolio

218·5	205·1	Pens Mn Fd Series 1	198·2	216·5
201·0	188·7	Pens Mn Fd Series 2	199·2	—
211·6	198·7	Pens Mn Fd Series 3	199·2	209·7
103·6	100·0	Pens Property Fd	98·4	103·6
103·3	97·4	Pens Gilt-Edged Fd	98·2	103·3
104·6	99·1	Pens Ind-Link Fd	97·1	102·2
105·5	100·0	Pens Money Mkt Fd	98·3	103·5
115·0	100·0	Pens U.K.Equity Fd	109·2	115·9
117·6	100·0	Pens Intl Fd	106·2	111·8

IMPERIAL LIFE (UK) LTD
Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford. 517255.

Imperial Investment Portfolio

121·1	114·4	Managed Fd	115·1	121·2
107·8	102·2	Gilt-Edged Fd	102·4	107·8
127·9	119·6	Property Fd	121·5	127·9
131·5	117·2	High Yield Fd	124·9	131·5
107·3	104·8	Money Mkt. Fd	101·9	107·3
105·8	100·9	Ind-Link Gilt Fd	97·7	102·9
153·1	127·1	U.K. Equity Fd	144·8	152·5
132·7	116·6	Intl. Equity Fd	121·4	127·8
129·3	110·6	Japan Fd	107·1	112·7
123·5	107·4	N.American Fd.	102·0	107·4

IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE PLC

243·5	252·0	Global Man	251·4	243·5
509·5	479·0	Managed I	455·1	479·0

KLEINWORT BENSON INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD
20 Fenchurch St., London EC3. 01-623 8000.

Offshore Funds

£16·60	£16·70	KB Eurobond Fd	£16·56	*£16·70
£21·25	£19·79	KB Euro Acc Fd	£19·61	£19·79
£11·56	£11·15	KB Gilt Fd	£11·51	£11·58
$32·85	$30·26	KB Intl Fd	—	$32·34
$72·35	$68·26	KB Japan Fd	—	$70·54
$5·42	$4·67	Delta Inv Co	$4·96	$5·21
$10·08	$8·92	Pinechurch U.S.GFd	—	$8·88
$10·08	$8·92	Sinset Fund (Ber)	—	$8·81
$50·15	$45·59	Transatlantic Fd	—	$49·88
$14·98	$13·29	KB Far E. Fd (Guer)	$12·86	$13·29
$18·14	$17·60	KB Sterling Ass Fd	$18·13	$18·14
168·2	156·9	KB Guernsey Fd	149·6	163·6

THE LAS GROUP
15 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2YM.
031-225 8494

Crescent Life Assurance

174·4	170·2	Managed	164·8	174·7
208·3	188·7	UK Equity	194·9	206·8
175·1	159·3	Property	165·1	175·1
130·6	127·4	Money Market	123·8	130·7
135·2	141·4	Fixed Interest	143·5	152·1
228·8	185·0	Japan	179·5	190·4
179·9	150·9	North American	143·3	152·1
184·6	161·6	International	155·4	164·7
106·8	100·0	Natural Resources	94·8	100·7
100·0	100·0	European	86·3	101·8
95·8	90·8	Far East	90·6	95·5
90·5	90·2	High Technology	85·5	90·5
105·9	100·0	Special Sits	100·5	105·1

Pensions

107·6	95·8	Managed	95·2	101·4
110·3	95·3	International	89·1	94·0
105·6	100·0	Property	99·6	105·7
106·0	100·0	Money Market	99·6	105·4
104·3	100·0	Fixed Interest	98·7	104·8
107·4	100·0	UK Equity	101·3	106·7
113·3	92·3	North America	88·4	93·2
95·4	85·1	Japan	82·9	87·4

LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT ASSURANCE) LIMITED
2 Montefiore Road, Hove, East Sussex, BN3 1SE. 0273 724588.

369·1	345·3	Equity Initial	341·2	359·2
465·5	455·4	Equity Accum	433·8	*456·7
233·2	222·2	Fix. Int. Initial	221·3	233·2
293·2	277·6	Fix. Int. Accum	281·7	296·6
239·8	211·0	Intnl. Initial	207·1	218·0
299·4	262·1	Intnl. Accum	259·2	272·9
107·8	101·9	IndxLnkdGilt Initial	98·6	103·8
116·7	109·6	IndexLinkedGiltAcc	107·0	112·7
284·8	272·5	Managed Initial	267·0	281·1
361·1	343·6	Managed Accum	339·4	357·3
150·9	150·6	Property Initial	143·5	150·9
191·8	180·9	Property Accum	182·2	191·8
101·3	100·0	B. Soc. Linked Initial	95·2	101·3
102·3	100·0	B. Soc. Linked Accum	97·1	102·3
129·7	127·8	Cash Initial	123·2	129·7
164·9	161·3	Cash Accum	156·9	164·9

LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT PENSIONS) LIMITED
Kingswood House, Kingswood, Surrey KT20 6EU. 07373 53456.

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
534·2	480·2	Exempt Equity Init.	498·1	524·4
676·4	617·3	Exempt Equity Acc.	632·4	665·7
305·4	285·5	Exempt Fix.Int.Init.	288·7	303·9
385·9	359·8	Exempt Fix. Int. Acc.	366·8	385·9
167·9	146·6	Exempt Intnl. Initial	145·2	152·9
190·8	168·6	Exempt Intnl. Accum	167·2	176·0
413·2	390·2	Exempt Managed Init	387·0	407·4
523·2	481·3	Exempt Managed Acc	491·3	517·2
189·4	184·7	Exempt Property Int.	179·0	188·5
239·2	232·6	Exempt Property Acc.	227·5	239·5
109·5	103·2	ExptIndLnkdGltInit	103·3	108·8
116·5	111·0	ExptIndLnkdGiltAcc	108·8	114·5
182·8	177·4	Exempt Cash Initial	173·6	182·8
232·1	228·5	Exempt Cash Accum.	229·5	239·5
101·9	100·0	ExmptBSocLnkdInit.	96·5	101·6
102·4	100·5	ExmptBSocLnkdAcc	97·3	102·5
133·1	129·0	Special Deposit Fd Init	126·5	133·2
149·9	103·0	Special Deposit Fd Acc	142·5	150·1

LIBERTY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Station Rd., New Barnet, Herts. EN5 1PA. 01-440 8210.

28·9	28·0	Select Sec. 'A'	27·4	28·9
22·8	21·3	Managed	20·4	21·5
17·7	17·0	Equity	16·7	17·6
24·9	23·1	Blue Chip	22·9	23·6
27·1	25·0	Special Sits	24·5	25·8
31·8	28·9	International	25·9	28·4
25·8	22·0	American	20·9	22·0
21·5	21·1	Pacific	20·0	21·1
19·9	19·7	Property	17·2	18·2
21·0	20·1	Fixed Yield	19·9	21·0
12·0	11·5	I.L. Securities	11·2	11·6
15·1	14·1	Intl. Currency	13·3	14·1
17·0	15·6	Deposit	16·1	17·0

LONDON A'DEEN & NTHN MTL ASSUR. LTD.
129, Kingsway, London, WC2B 6NF.
01-404 0393

85·3	80·1	Asset Builder	80·4	85·3

LONDON & MANCHESTER GROUP
Winslade Park, Exeter, EX5 1DS.
0392-52155.

420·5	377·9	Investment Tst Acc	—	361·0
182·1	171·5	Equity Accum	—	179·3
234·6	233·6	Flexible Accum	—	253·0
205·7	195·3	Moneymaker	—	202·5

LONDON LIFE
100 Temple Street, Bristol BS1 6EA.
0272-279179

Assurances

329·4	307·5	Equity	—	329·4
164·2	172·9	Fixed Int	—	163·2
201·5	197·2	Property	—	201·5
155·2	152·0	Deposit	—	155·2
242·6	234·5	Mixed	—	242·6
119·3	112·3	Index Stock	—	116·0
144·0	126·0	International	—	126·0

Pensions

254·7	231·5	Equity (P)	—	254·7
201·5	186·9	Fixed Int. (P)	—	201·6
147·5	144·8	Property (P)	—	147·1
140·2	136·2	Deposit (P)	—	140·2
169·1	160·3	Mixed (P)	—	169·1
129·0	120·0	Index Stock (P)	—	125·4
140·7	125·2	International (P)	—	125·2

M & G GROUP PLC
Three Quays, Tower Hill, London, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588.

206·3	167·2	American Bonds	164·9	173·2
250·7	217·3	American Rec Bonds	212·9	223·6
114·9	91·6	Americn Smllr Co's Bd	91·9	96·8
125·2	108·1	Australasian Bds	107·7	113·2
155·8	144·4	Commodity Bds	143·6	150·9
205·3	200·6	Deposit Bonds	195·3	205·2
189·4	174·4	Equity Bonds-Bons	178·3	187·4
421·1	380·5	Equity Bonds-Acc	399·5	419·6
227·8	206·2	Extra Yield Bonds	214·9	225·8
148·6	129·6	Far Eastern Bonds	127·2	133·7
212·7	131·1	Gilt Bonds	208·4	212·7
107·8	88·8	Gold Bonds	100·4	105·4
175·5	165·4	High Yield Bonds	165·4	174·8
114·4	107·9	Index-Linked Bonds	107·2	112·8
306·6	272·8	International Bonds	262·5	275·7
155·4	129·6	Japan Bonds	125·8	132·2
127·8	112·2	Japan Smllr Co's Bds	108·2	113·7
136·8	124·2	Managed Bonds	127·8	134·2
289·6	281·2	Property Bonds	252·2	265·2
198·6	175·6	Recovery Bonds	187·9	197·4
551·8	520·0	Family Bond Acc	—	551·8

Pension Funds

941·8	863·0	Personal Pen Fd	—	926·9
422·9	332·9	American	323·8	340·1
111·6	108·1	Building Soc	106·2	111·6
120·3	112·8	Deposit	114·7	120·6
337·4	311·9	Equity	320·6	336·8
263·7	244·1	Gilt	251·1	263·7
103·5	95·3	Gold	96·1	101·0
121·4	115·1	Index-Linked Gilt	113·9	118·0
117·3	108·0	International	107·1	112·5
139·5	115·4	Japan	111·3	117·0
284·2	276·5	Managed	276·3	290·3
286·9	273·6	PPP	272·3	286·6
352·9	293·8	Pacific	292·8	307·5
162·4	152·7	Property	152·6	162·1
131·3	114·8	Recovery	124·3	130·6

MGM ASSURANCE
MGM House, Heene Rd, Worthing.
0903-204631

162·3	135·5	U.K. Equity Acc	154·1	162·3
161·7	118·5	Special Sits Acc	134·5	141·7
158·4	130·4	Nth American Acc	139·6	147·0
197·1	16·99	Pacific Basin Acc	164·6	173·2
182·9	160·8	Fixed Int Acc	173·4	182·6
118·4	111·2	Property Acc	110·2	116·0
116·1	107·6	Deposit Acc	110·2	116·1
151·6	138·1	Managed Acc	144·0	151·6

MANUFACTURERS LIFE INSURANCE CO (U.K.)
St George's Way, Stevenage
0438-356101

298·5	287·8	Managed	280·9	295·7
237·3	229·4	Property	225·6	237·3
323·5	301·7	Equity	307·3	323·5
306·6	281·0	Gilt Edged	291·3	306·6
177·5	173·8	Deposit	168·6	177·5
281·4	252·0	International	239·4	252·0
131·1	134·8	Investment	124·8	131·1

Pension Fund Prices

204·9	197·6	Managed Init	—	202·5
259·2	220·6	Managed Acc	—	228·2
187·3	178·5	Property Init	—	187·3
211·1	199·1	Property Acc	—	211·6
233·4	221·3	Equity Init	—	230·7
261·0	247·1	Equity Acc	—	259·8
188·2	174·5	Gilt Edged Init	—	183·5
212·3	198·5	Gilt Edged Acc	—	209·8
130·1	126·6	Guaranteed Init	—	130·1
146·8	141·6	Guaranteed Acc	—	146·4
335·1	285·8	International Init	—	295·8
375·8	322·0	International Acc	—	332·0
124·1	116·0	Index-Link Gilt Init	—	119·5
138·5	129·6	Index Link Gilt Acc	—	134·8

MERCHANT INVESTORS ASS. CO LTD
Leon House, 233 High Street, Croydon CR9 1LF. 01-686 9171

294·8	292·1	Property Life Fund	—	294·8
379·2	373·4	Property Pens	—	379·2
138·5	131·5	U.K. Equity Life	—	135·5
53·56	50·1	Equity Pens Fd	—	53·56
258·6	251·5	UK MoneyMkt LifeFd	—	258·6
435·7	411·1	UK MoneyMkt Pen Fd	—	435·7
221·0	212·5	UK Managed Life Fd	—	221·0
373·6	354·4	UK Managed Pen Fd	—	373·6
142·5	120·3	N. American Life Fd	—	130·5
158·3	130·2	N. American Pen Fd	—	150·5
183·0	154·7	Far East Life	—	154·7
217·3	177·7	Far East Pen. Fund	—	177·7
342·1	218·0	Intl. Man Life Fund	—	288·0
312·1	276·1	Intl. Man Pens. Fund	—	278·1
262·3	233·0	IntlEquityLife Fund	—	233·0
365·6	317·9	Intl EquityPen Fund	—	317·9
132·2	120·6	Intl CurrencyLife Fd.	—	130·6
161·4	147·6	Intl. CurrencyPenFd	—	147·6
204·9	201·4	Deposit Life Fund	—	204·9
297·8	289·6	Deposit PensionFund	—	298·4

MUNICIPAL LIFE ASSURANCE LTD
99/100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent
0622 679351

150·5	125·5	Acc. Mngd	123·5	129·5
120·0	116·0	Initial Mngd	111·5	118·0
130·5	127·5	Accum. Equity	125·5	132·5
121·5	117·0	Initial Equity	112·5	119·0
124·5	112·0	Acc. Intnl	109·5	116·0
120·5	111·0	Initial Intnl	106·0	112·0
104·0	99·5	Acc Property	96·0	102·0
103·5	98·5	Initial Property	95·0	101·5
114·0	105·5	Acc Munifund	106·0	112·0
112·5	105·0	Initial Munifund	104·0	110·0
114·0	110·5	Pens Acc Mngd	104·5	110·5
130·5	125·5	Pens Acc Equity	122·5	129·5
118·0	108·5	Pens Acc Munifund	105·5	111·5

NEL PENSIONS LTD

227·7	209·6	Nelex Equity Cap	216·4	227·7
395·4	348·2	Nelex Equity Acc	375·7	395·4

NPI PENSIONS MANAGEMENT LTD

583·0	555·8	Managed Fd	558·4	583·0

Prices at April 1. Next dealing day May 1

NATIONAL MUTUAL LIFE
5 Bow Churchyard, off Cheapside, London EC4M 9DH
01-236 1566

139·0	132·5	Managed Fd	131·2	138·2
156·8	147·6	UK Equity Fd	145·7	152·8
121·0	110·5	Fixed Interest Fd	114·9	121·0
137·9	127·5	Pacific	121·5	127·9
96·3	85·6	North America	81·1	85·4
149·3	142·8	Pensions Managed	138·8	145·8
165·7	155·8	Pensions UK Equity	154·9	162·4
208·6	168·1	Pens. Overseas Equit	159·6	168·1
119·1	116·9	Pensions Property	115·1	119·1
125·5	117·0	Pens. Fixed Interest	119·2	125·5
105·5	99·2	Pensions Index Link	97·2	102·4
122·2	116·8	Pensions Deposit	114·9	121·0

NATIONAL PROVIDENT INSTITUTION
48, Gracechurch St., London EC3P 3HH
01-623 4200

215·4	205·1	Managed	203·9	214·7
253·1	228·4	UK Equity	238·6	251·1
230·1	220·9	Overseas Equity	192·5	202·7
233·5	205·6	Americas	194·5	204·9
198·8	167·3	Far East	162·0	170·6
120·1	118·1	Property	114·0	120·1
174·1	164·0	Fixed Int	165·3	174·1
116·3	109·4	Indexed Gilt	106·7	112·4
122·5	119·7	Deposit	116·1	122·5

Pension Fund Prices

217·3	202·9	Mnged Initial	205·5	216·4
264·0	237·1	Mngd Acc	251·0	264·2
244·0	212·6	UK Equity Initial	225·5	237·4
266·1	233·3	UK Equity Acc	250·9	264·2
251·9	223·8	Overseas Eq. Initial	214·8	226·2
251·5	237·8	Overseas Eq. Acc	249·2	262·4
278·5	223·5	Americas Initial	215·0	226·4
301·8	246·2	Americas Acc	239·3	251·9
258·2	207·4	Far East Initial	200·8	211·4
286·7	231·3	Far East Acc	224·1	235·9
115·4	113·7	Property Initial	109·8	115·6
118·4	125·2	Property Acc	121·9	128·3
157·5	146·8	Fixed Int Initial	149·6	157·5
174·6	165·6	Fixed Int Acc	165·8	174·6
106·0	102·0	Indexed Gilt Initial	99·8	105·1
121·9	113·5	Indexed Gilts Acc	111·0	116·8
116·3	115·5	Deposit Initial	115·3	121·4
125·6	130·7	Deposit Acc	128·0	134·8

NORWICH UNION INSURANCE GROUP

556·6	536·7	Managed Fund	528·2	556·0
1042·3	981·9	Equity Fund	972·0	1023·2
285·0	279·2	Property Fund	270·8	285·0
337·5	316·8	Fixed Interest Fund	292·0	307·5
187·5	163·0	Deposit Fund	178·0	187·5

Pensionvestor

202·6	192·4	Fixed Interest Fund	192·5	202·5
296·6	274·2	UK Ordiny Share Fd	266·2	280·7
141·8	140·0	Property Fund	131·8	139·1
134·7	134·9	Deposit Fund	132·2	141·5
131·2	122·9	Index-Linked Sec.Fd	120·6	126·9
223·4	217·8	Mixed Fund	211·6	222·7
106·3	90·2	International	85·7	90·2

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Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange for the grant of permission to deal in the ordinary shares of Clayform Properties PLC in the Unlisted Securities Market. It is emphasized that no application has been made for these securities to be admitted to listing. This advertisement does not constitute an offer or invitation to subscribe for or purchase shares.

CLAYFORM PROPERTIES

CLAYFORM PROPERTIES PLC

(Incorporated in England under the Companies Acts 1948 to 1980 No. 1528784)

OFFER FOR SALE BY SAMUEL MONTAGU & CO. LIMITED

of 2,535,000 ordinary shares of 5p each at 165p per share payable in full on application

SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised £		Issued and to be issued, fully paid or credited as fully paid £
600,000	ordinary shares of 5p each	487,532

Clayform and its subsidiaries ("the Group") are engaged principally in the development of prime properties in the United Kingdom for retail, high technology and commercial users. The majority of the Group's developments are pre-funded by institutional investors under arrangements which provide for the institution to acquire the development and the Group to participate in development profits. The remaining developments are funded from the Group's own resources with the intention of subsequent disposal. The Group and its associated companies have completed developments with an aggregate value of over £32 million and are currently engaged in developments which will have an aggregate value of some £44 million once complete and let. Further developments due to be started in 1985 and 1986 are expected to have an aggregate value of some £65 million once complete and let.

Full details of Clayform Properties PLC and of this Offer for Sale, together with an Application Form, are contained in the Prospectus (on the terms of which alone applications will be considered), copies of which may be obtained between 24th April 1985 and 30th April 1985 from:

Samuel Montagu & Co. Limited, 114 Old Broad Street, London EC2P 2HY

W. Greenwell & Co., Bow Bells House, Bread Street, London EC4M 9EL

Barclays Bank PLC, New Issues Department, Fleetway House, 25 Farringdon Street, London EC4A 4HD

Barclays Bank PLC, 35 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 2AD

Barclays Bank PLC, 63 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2BY

Barclays Bank PLC, 40 Corn Street, Bristol BS99 7AJ

Particulars of the Group are available in the Extel Statistical Services. The application list for the shares now offered for sale will open at 10.00am on Tuesday, 30th April 1985 and may be closed at any time thereafter.

NatWest SAVER SERVICE

NatWest announces the following changes in Saver Service interest rates, effective from 25th April 1985:

Customers not affected by CRT		Customers affected by CRT	
Gross Interest per annum		Net Interest per annum	Gross equivalent per annum to a basic rate taxpayer
12.75%	Investment Account – 6 Months' Notice	9.625%	13.75%
12.625%	Investment Account – 3 Months' Notice	9.50%	13.57%

and with effect from 1st May 1985 interest rates are as follows:

12.25%	Monthly Income Account	9.25%	13.21%

National Westminster Bank PLC
41 Lothbury London EC2P 2BP

UNIT TRUST PRICES

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PHOENIX ASSURANCE GROUP
Phoenix House, Redcliff Hill, Bristol BS1 6SQ. 0272 294941

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
		Life Assurance Funds		
302·8	294·5	Wealth Ass.	289·6	301·8
		Pension Plan Funds — Phoenix		
103·9	98·9	UK Equity Acc.	98·8	103·9
104·0	92·5	International Acc.	88·7	92·3
100·9	100·0	Property Acc.	95·9	100·9
106·3	98·8	Fixed Interest Acc.	100·8	106·1
101·7	100·0	Money Acc.	96·7	101·7
102·4	100·0	Build Soc. Link Acc	97·3	102·4
105·2	99·4	Special Mixed Acc.	96·9	101·9
		Phoenix/Framlington		
106·8	97·5	Intnl. Grth. Acc.	93·1	97·9
105·3	94·1	American & Gen Acc	90·3	95·0
109·1	100·0	Capital Tst. Acc.	103·7	109·1
110·4	91·1	Japan & Gen. Acc.	87·8	92·4
106·2	95·2	American Turn. Acc	91·2	95·9
111·0	100·0	Recovery Tst. Acc.	99·6	104·6
106·2	98·9	Special Mngd. Acc.	96·5	101·5
		Phoenix/GT		
106·6	93·1	International Acc.	88·6	93·2
106·5	90·9	US & General Acc.	92·3	97·1
107·3	84·1	Technol. & Grth. Acc	80·9	85·1
108·3	86·7	Japan & General Acc	83·6	87·9
106·0	86·1	Far East & Gen. Acc	81·6	86·1
109·0	98·5	UK Capital Acc	102·7	108·1
105·3	94·8	European Acc.	90·6	95·3
105·5	96·8	Special Mngd. Acc.	92·2	97·0

PROPERTY EQUITY AND LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Cumberland House, Baxter Avenue, Southend on Sea. SS2 6HQ 0702 333433

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
269·5	258·8	Flex. Mon Bnd Fnd	261·1	—
112·3	100·0	Int-Man Cur Bnd F.	109·1	—
100·4	100·0	Tower Mnged Inv Fd	100·4	—

PROPERTY GROWTH ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Leon House, Croydon. CR9 1LU 01-680 0606

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
289·8	281·3	Property Fund	281·3	—
281·9	280·0	Property Fund (A)	281·9	—
11·63	11·63	Agricultural Fund	11·63	—
11·29	11·29	Agric. Fund (A)	11·39	—
240·2	235·7	Abbey Nat. Fund	240·2	—
238·6	234·4	Abbey Nat Fd (A)	238·6	—
161·7	155·3	Investment Fund	159·2	—
158·2	151·9	Investment Fd. (A)	155·8	—
556·5	522·8	Equity Fund	549·8	—
549·5	511·2	Equity Fund (A)	557·6	—
241·9	236·0	Money Fund	241·9	—
256·6	231·0	Money Fund (A)	256·6	—
289·5	243·5	Actuarial Fund	278·8	—
206·1	195·7	Gilt-Edged Fund	206·0	—
208·1	195·7	Gilt Edged Fd (A)	206·0	—
397·5	385·7	Retire Annuity	397·5	—
196·0	190·5	Immediate Ann'ty	196·0	—
316·8	280·6	International Fund	283·9	—
316·8	280·6	Interna. Fd (A)	280·9	—
118·1	114·8	Bld. Soc Life Fd	118·1	—
		Property Growth Pensions & Annuities Ltd.		
340·7	306·9	All Wthr. Acc Uts	323·6	340·7
357·0	339·3	Inv. Fd. Uts	349·7	—
293·1	282·3	Pension Fd Uts	293·1	—
355·9	341·3	Conv. Pns. Fd	356·1	—
259·2	241·5	Cnv. Pns. Cap. Ut	252·3	—
429·0	406·9	Man. Pens. Fd	429·0	—
319·4	303·9	Man. Pens. Cap. Ut	317·7	—
324·0	312·6	Prop. Pens. Fd	324·0	—
233·2	227·3	Prop. Pens. Cap. Ut	233·2	—
302·6	291·3	Bldg. Soc. Pen. Ut	302·6	—
221·4	215·4	Bldg. Soc. Cap. Ut	221·4	—
192·7	182·2	Gilt Pens. Fd	192·4	—
160·0	152·2	Gilt Pens. Fd. Cap	159·7	—
359·2	330·0	Equity Pens. Fd	359·3	—
295·6	277·0	Equity Pens. Fd. Cap	290·9	—
128·9	116·3	Intl Pens Fd	121·6	—
125·4	111·8	Intl. Pens. Fd. Cap	116·0	—

PROVIDENCE CAPITAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
137·2	130·3	Equity	129·2	136·3
105·0	97·7	Fixed Interest	97·6	103·0
100·9	88·8	International	87·9	92·8
115·1	106·4	Managed	100·9	106·4
143·7	139·1	Property	136·2	143·7
88·7	72·5	Special Market	69·2	73·0

PROVIDENT LIFE ASSOCIATION OF LONDON LTD
266 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4QP 01-247 3200

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
636·3	601·0	Unit	598·2	629·1
129·9	112·0	Equity	122·0	128·1
117·2	109·0	Fixed Interest	111·6	117·2
111·7	110·0	Property	105·6	111·1
118·2	111·0	Index-linked	103·4	114·9
110·5	108·0	Deposit	105·2	110·5
130·3	122·0	Pension Mixed Ord	122·8	128·9

For other prices Tel: 01 247 3200

PROVIDENT MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE ASSOCIATION
William Road, Hitchin, Herts SG4 OLP 0438 739000

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
171·2	182·7	Managed Ord	160·6	169·1
158·0	151·2	Managed Init	147·7	155·5
221·5	195·4	Equity Ord	199·6	209·1
195·3	181·6	Equity Init	182·7	192·5
112·4	105·7	Index Lnk Gilt Ord	103·8	109·3
108·5	102·4	Index Lnk Gilt Init	99·1	104·6
188·4	164·3	O'seas Equity Ord	163·3	171·9
174·2	152·6	O'seas Equity Init	150·2	158·1
132·9	120·6	Property Ord	116·8	122·9
113·8	110·0	Property Init	107·5	113·2
129·1	120·4	Fixed Interest Ord	122·9	129·4
116·1	111·6	Fixed Interest Init	113·1	119·1
116·1	113·6	Deposit Ord	110·3	116·1
106·8	105·6	Deposit Init	101·5	106·8
185·8	178·5	Pen Managed Ord	174·3	183·5
171·6	165·1	Pen Managed Init	160·4	168·8
255·6	215·3	Pen Equity Ord	221·0	238·6
216·0	200·0	Pen Equity Init	203·4	214·1
115·4	107·7	Pen Ind Lkd Gilt Ord	106·5	112·1
111·2	104·4	Pen Ind Lkd Gilt Init	102·5	107·7
205·6	174·7	Pen O'seas Eqty Ord	174·8	184·0
188·2	168·3	Pen O'seas Eqty Init	160·8	169·3
130·7	127·4	Pen Property Ord	124·2	130·7
120·5	118·4	Pen Property Init	114·3	120·3
155·3	182·5	Pen Fixed Int Ord	126·6	133·3
128·4	114·3	Pen Fixed Int Init	116·4	122·5
128·0	123·5	Pen Deposit Ord	121·6	128·0
117·8	112·1	Pen Deposit Init	111·9	117·8

PROVINCIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Stramongate, Kendal, Cumbria, LA9 4BE 0539 23415

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
370·2	344·3	Managed Fund	341·5	362·0
407·1	369·8	Equity Fund	369·9	389·8
232·1	209·4	High Income Fund	217·1	228·6
216·0	191·0	International Fund	184·0	196·8
306·5	267·6	Special Sits Fund	289·3	303·8
215·6	195·2	Fixed Interest Fd	204·6	215·6
267·0	228·4	Technology Fund	215·0	228·8
254·6	222·2	Nth American Fund	216·3	230·0
298·2	261·6	Far Eastern Fund	285·1	305·5
192·6	113·5	Extra Income Fd	119·7	126·2
235·3	212·3	Man Pension Acc Fd	273·5	286·8

PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE COMPANY

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
150·0	142·0	Prufund Man. Fd	141·9	147·9

PRUDENTIAL PENSION LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
196·7	186·1	Prulink Man. Fd	184·8	192·5
136·1	131·5	Prulink Cash Fd	130·6	136·1

REFUGE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
183·8	177·6	Managed Fd	172·0	181·1
147·3	143·6	Property Fd	139·9	147·3

ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE LTD
New Hall Place, Liverpool, L69 3HS 051-227 4422

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
453·7	410·7	Royal Shield Fd	405·6	429·2

ROYAL LIFE (UNIT LINKED ASS.) LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
177·4	168·1	Managed Fd	165·8	175·5
211·8	183·1	Equity Fd	199·7	210·2
138·3	136·1	Property Fd	131·1	138·0
237·7	189·4	International Fd	216·1	227·4
143·8	135·8	Gilt Fd	136·7	143·6
119·1	116·6	Money Fd	113·2	119·1
127·8	107·6	U.S. Fd	105·2	110·7
119·0	104·6	Pacific Basin Fd	101·4	106·7

ROYAL LIFE (UNIT LKD PEN. FD) LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
168·1	155·2	Exempt Man. Fd	155·1	163·4
255·5	223·0	Exempt Eqty Fd	237·7	250·2
135·6	125·0	Exempt Prop. Fd	122·0	128·4
336·6	284·7	Exempt Intnl. Fd	276·0	290·5
138·2	125·9	Exempt Gilt Fd	131·3	138·2
126·9	122·4	Exempt Money Fd	120·6	126·9

ROYAL LONDON MUTUAL INS. SOC. LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
212·3	202·6	R. L. Mixed Fd	201·6	212·5
108·2	100·0	R.L. Equity Fund	97·0	102·2

SAVE & PROSPER GROUP

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
103·2	96·7	Global Equity	92·7	98·1
317·5	304·9	Property	300·0	311·5
324·4	302·9	Balanced Inv.	307·2	327·7
254·4	239·0	Gilt	242·5	251·3
60·1	58·6	Property Pension	58·7	60·1
72·1	66·2	Equity Pension	67·0	70·5
69·8	65·0	Managed Pension	64·6	68·2
81·8	74·0	Global Equity Pen	72·5	76·8

SCHRODER LIFE GROUP
Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
230·4	170·3	American (4)	199·2	205·2
146·5	105·5	Australian	104·1	109·5
280·2	212·4	CT M'ngd Man (4)	262·0	275·7
198·1	180·7	Deposit (4)	188·2	198·1
625·5	500·1	Equity (4)	575·4	605·5
206·5	176·1	European (4)	185·1	199·0
276·4	246·0	Fixed Int. (4)	262·6	276·4
217·7	168·0	Income Dist. (4)	206·1	216·9
279·2	209·0	Income Accum. (4)	264·4	278·3
217·4	168·0	International (4)	178·3	187·6
126·5	100·0	International Pen C	103·6	108·2
338·0	275·8	Managed (4)	305·8	321·8
301·5	282·0	Property (4)	285·4	301·4
160·5	133·0	Singapore & Malay (4)	126·7	133·3
273·4	214·1	Smaller Co's (4)	222·8	236·1
246·0	178·0	Tokyo (4)	199·4	209·6
254·4	192·3	UK Equity (4)	240·2	253·5
123·5	108·6	Deposit Pension (C)	117·4	123·5
375·0	282·2	Equity Pensions (C)	340·6	358·6
230·9	196·1	Fixed Int. Pen. (C)	216·6	227·6
126·9	109·4	Guaranteed Pen. (C)	119·7	126·0
109·6	93·5	Index-Lnk Gilt P. (C)	102·4	107·7
824·0	660·9	Managed Pension (C)	779·9	820·9
267·5	241·9	Property Pen. (C)	253·4	267·3
325·0	165·7	Spec Ex pt Pen. (C)	196·6	279·2

SCOTTISH AMICABLE LIFE ASS. SOCIETY
150 St Vincent St., Glasgow G2 5NQ 041-248 2323

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
203·5	191·5	Managed	193·3	203·5
167·1	157·5	Fixed Interest	158·7	167·1
245·8	207·3	Equity	228·6	240·6
229·4	182·3	International	189·2	199·2
128·7	126·5	Property	121·6	128·0
115·9	109·3	Index-Lin'd Gilt Fd	106·3	111·9
157·6	136·6	Exempt Man. Fd Int.	147·6	155·4
190·1	167·0	Exempt Man. Fd Ac.	179·5	189·0
150·1	142·0	Exempt Fx. In. Fd Ic	142·5	150·1
182·5	150·0	Exempt Fx. In. Fd Ac	173·0	182·1
181·6	170·4	Exempt Eqty Fd Int	169·2	178·1
216·8	203·2	Exempt Eqty Fd Acc	205·5	216·3
186·5	145·4	Exempt Intl Fd Int	149·3	157·2
209·5	171·2	Exempt Intl Fd Acc	169·1	178·0
97·7	95·0	Exempt Prop. Fd Int	90·2	95·0
118·0	100·0	Exempt Prop Fd Acc	109·5	115·3
130·6	127·8	Cash Fund	123·6	130·1
113·8	111·6	Exempt Cash Fund	125·7	113·8

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
31 St Andrew Sq., Edinburgh EH2 2OZ 031-556-9101

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
222·6	205·1	Mixed	210·3	221·4
248·4	214·7	Equity	232·0	244·5
134·1	125·2	Fixed Int	127·5	133·9
263·8	225·1	International	215·0	226·3
124·5	120·0	Property	116·2	122·4
115·1	108·2	Index linked	107·5	113·2
124·90	120·2	Cash	118·4	124·6
120·4	108·4	Edinburgh Inv.	107·6	113·2
113·7	91·1	Edinburgh Am.	105·5	112·6
121·2	100·0	Baillie Gifford Jap.	96·5	101·6

SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS
19, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh. 031-556 9101

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
122·5	111·8	Managed	110·7	116·5
139·9	109·1	Property	104·3	109·6
131·6	122·7	U.K. Equity	122·5	129·0
132·2	131·5	American	129·2	136·1
130·5	107·5	Pacific	104·3	109·9
126·4	116·5	European	113·6	119·6
125·7	119·9	International	115·5	121·4
122·7	101·1	Fixed Int	101·5	106·7
110·0	104·6	Index Linked	100·9	106·2
107·1	104·6	Deposit	101·6	107·1
113·3	111·4	Pens Property	107·6	113·3
173·6	129·0	Pens U.K. Equity	129·1	136·1
172·6	136·0	Pens American	136·5	143·6
135·9	108·5	Pens Pacific	106·1	111·2
131·9	120·2	Pens European	117·7	124·0
127·1	124·7	Pens International	120·8	127·2
109·5	101·7	Pens Fixed Int	103·5	109·4
115·1	105·9	Pens Index Linked	103·4	108·9
112·0	107·9	Pens Deposit	106·5	112·0
127·6	116·5	Pens Managed	114·7	120·0

SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INSTITUTION
6, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh 031-556 9181

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
122·0	115·6	Mixed	113·7	119·6
128·9	122·9	Equity	124·5	131·0
177·2	125·5	International	115·0	121·4
115·1	106·8	Property	107·2	112·8
109·6	107·6	Fixed Int	101·1	106·6
108·6	102·2	Index Linked	99·4	104·7
109·6	106·4	Cash	103·3	108·8
119·3	114·6	Pen Mixed Init	111·5	117·4
124·4	116·6	Pen Mixed Ord	116·7	122·9
135·1	122·4	Pen Equity Initial	121·7	131·5
139·0	135·7	Pen Equity Ord	130·3	137·5
127·1	121·5	Pen Intl Initial	115·5	121·6
126·5	127·0	Pen Intl Ord	120·9	127·3
111·7	105·7	Pen Prop Init	106·0	111·6
113·7	111·5	Pen Prop Ord	110·9	116·9
130·1	107·3	Pen Fix Int Init	103·5	109·0
114·0	105·4	Pen Fix Int Ord	108·2	114·0
105·0	99·4	Pen I.L. Init	96·6	101·8
110·1	105·4	Pen I.L. Ord	101·6	107·6
108·5	105·6	Pen Cash Init	103·0	108·5
115·8	109·7	Pen Cash Ord	108·0	113·8

SCOTTISH WIDOWS GROUP
P.O. Box 902, Edinburgh, EH16 5BU. 031-655 6000

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
349·9	324·8	Inv Pol 1	309·3	326·5
331·9	317·1	Inv Pol 2	302·6	318·6
307·2	238·2	Inv Pol 3	298·2	293·2
171·5	167·9	Inv Pol Cash	162·9	171·5
185·7	178·7	Mixed Fd	175·6	185·0
216·8	189·7	Equity Fd	204·6	215·4
135·3	131·4	Prop Fd	126·6	133·3
133·1	123·8	Intnl Fd	146·7	154·5
169·1	161·7	Fix Int Fd	160·4	168·9
117·3	112·1	Ind stk Fd	108·8	114·5
127·6	122·0	Cash Fd	121·1	127·6
226·1	205·0	Pen Mxd Ord	203·4	214·2
287·1	233·8	Pen Eq Ord	231·6	243·9
147·2	134·6	Pen Prop Ord	139·7	147·2
192·6	175·7	Pen Intl Ord	162·2	175·2
179·2	190·0	Pen F I Ord	169·1	139·1
122·1	116·6	Pen Ind St Ord	115·1	119·2
149·1	143·7	Pen Cash Ord	141·6	149·1
919·4	856·6	P M Man	863·1	965·1
919·4	856·6	P M S S Fx	861·4	901·4
153·2	141·9	P M Prop	132·6	138·6
154·6	154·0	P M Cash	154·8	154·8
425·9	352·6	Ex Unit Acc	402·6	416·7

SKANDIA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Frobisher House, Nelson Gate, Southampton. 0703 334411

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
191·0	175·5	Managed Life Acc.	170·9	179·6
[illegible]	215·4	Managed Pension Acc	208·1	219·0
[illegible]	194·5	International Life Acc	185·3	195·0
[illegible]	257·3	International Pens Acc	245·3	258·2
121·4	112·9	Arbuthnot Man Life Acc	112·1	117·9
124·2	115·9	Arbuthnot Pens. Acc.	118·0	124·2
126·4	98·7	Britannia Man Life Acc	98·4	103·5
122·9	112·3	Britannia Pensions Acc	110·3	115·3
115·5	103·2	Framlington Man Life Acc	103·6	108·9
136·5	115·6	Framlington Pens Acc	131·6	137·9
115·9	107·5	Gartmore Man Life Acc	103·9	109·3
125·3	121·0	Gartmore Pens. Acc.	118·4	124·6
113·3	[illegible]	Henderson Man Life Acc	127·9	133·5
135·9	[illegible]	Henderson Pens Acc.	116·1	122·2
[illegible]	[illegible]	TSB Managed Life Acc	101·2	106·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	TSB Pensions Acc.	110·6	116·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Life Acc.	189·0	198·9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Pensions Acc.	259·7	273·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilt Plus Life Acc.	150·8	158·5
197·6	186·6	Gilt Plus Pens. Acc.	187·8	197·5
149·9	137·4	Property Life Acc.	142·4	149·9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Pens. Acc.	181·0	190·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit Life Acc.	145·5	151·3
195·4	185·1	Deposit Pensions Acc	185·7	195·5

STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO.
3, George St., Edinburgh. EH2 2XZ 031-225 2552

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed	257·1	270·7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property	169·9	178·9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity	331·2	351·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	International	235·2	247·6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Interest	165·5	177·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Managed	322·8	339·9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Equity	433·5	456·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Intnl	300·8	316·7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Index-Linked	104·9	110·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Cash	145·3	152·9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Property	181·4	191·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Fixed Interest	204·4	215·2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Index-Linked	105·3	110·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Cash	169·6	178·6

SUN LIFE PENSIONS MNGMT LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens. Mngd. Acc.	308·7	325·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Property Acc.	159·2	167·6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens. Equity Acc.	396·1	419·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens. Fixed Int. Acc	177·0	186·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens. Intl Link. Acc	105·8	111·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens. Cash Acc.	145·5	153·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pens Amer. Eq. Acc	145·5	153·0
149·0	[illegible]	Pens U.S. Bonds Acc	121·5	128·1
141·0	[illegible]	Pens. Japan Acc	111·0	116·9
143·1	[illegible]	Pens Pacific Acc.	117·5	123·7
131·6	[illegible]	Pens Far Eastern Acc	353·9	372·6
[illegible]	384·5	Pens. Intnl. Acc.	278·4	293·1
125·3	112·7	Pens U.S. Dollar Acc	109·1	114·9
122·5	104·6	Pens Yen Acc	101·5	106·7
105·8	99·5	Pens. Euro. Curr. Acc	95·5	100·5

SUN ALLIANCE LINKED LIFE INSURANCE LTD
Sun Alliance House, Horsham. 0403-64141

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
		Life Funds		
402·5	378·6	Equity	374·8	395·9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Interest	220·1	232·1
281·5	240·5	International	231·4	246·6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed	234·8	247·2
257·7	242·0	Property	156·7	165·0
165·0	151·6	Deposit	107·9	113·9
135·0	127·9	Index Linked	95·2	100·5
121·6	97·5	North American	92·7	97·9
116·4	98·5	Far East	94·9	[illegible]
135·6	127·9	International Bond	—	129·5
		Pension Funds		
220·6	208·5	Equity	206·0	216·9
199·6	185·5	Fixed Interest	189·3	199·3
145·3	143·3	Property	138·0	145·3
206·3	195·2	Managed	191·5	201·6
160·9	149·0	Index Linked	138·2	155·0
201·3	125·0	International	199·2	209·7
157·9	152·7	Deposit	151·0	157·9

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA (UK) LTD
2, 3, & 4, Cockspur St., London SW1Y 5BH 01-930 5400

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
582·0	551·6	Growth Account	—	582·0
351·2	317·9	Managed Account	—	330·1
417·3	325·9	Equity Account	—	409·5
166·1	150·0	Maple Leaf Mngd. Fd	157·6	166·0
196·9	151·8	Maple Leaf Eq. Fd	186·3	196·0
158·7	139·6	Maple Leaf Int'n Fd	134·5	156·7
138·8	125·6	Maple Leaf Prop. Fd	126·1	132·8
131·9	119·6	Maple Leaf Money Fd	115·6	121·9
239·5	270·4	Maple Leaf Intnl. Fd	110·3	200·4
120·6	113·4	Maple Leaf In Lnk Fd	110·3	116·1
611·5	577·1	Personal Pens. Acnt	—	611·5
299·8	282·9	Pensions Mngd. Acc	284·6	299·6
101·7	100·6	Pens. Guaranteed Fd	96·6	101·7
105·1	100·0	Pens. Equity Fd	97·6	102·7
101·9	100·0	Pens. Property Fd	95·8	101·9
105·9	100·2	Pens. Fixed Int. Fd.	100·6	105·9
107·1	86·5	Pens. Intnl Fd	81·1	86·3
102·3	100·0	Pens. Money Fd	97·1	102·3
104·2	100·0	Pens. Index Link Fd	96·0	101·1

SUN LIFE UNIT ASSURANCE LTD
St James Barton, Bristol BS99 7SL 0272-426911

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
359·0	321·2	Managed Acc	314·5	351·1
217·5	205·5	Property Acc.	196·7	207·1
466·9	422·5	Equity Acc.	437·8	460·9
190·1	179·2	Fixed Interest Acc.	180·4	189·9
110·2	103·1	Index-Linked Acc.	102·8	108·3
172·6	166·8	Cash Acc.	164·1	172·8
221·5	193·9	American Equity Acc	178·9	188·4
124·2	102·5	U.S. Bonds Acc	103·9	109·4
134·6	119·5	Japan Acc	107·5	113·1
131·2	103·7	Pacific Acc.	103·5	109·0
259·2	245·2	Far Eastern Acc.	236·9	249·4
239·3	233·0	International Acc	223·1	231·9
127·2	100·0	U.S. Dollar Acc	103·7	109·2
111·6	103·6	Yen Acc	95·5	100·0
107·0	102·0	European Curr. Acc	95·8	105·9
154·4	144·7	Distribution	146·2	155·9

TSB LIFE & PENSIONS
P.O. Box 3, Keens House, Andover, Hants. SP10 1PG. 0264-62188

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
178·0	125·5	Managed	118·7	125·0
113·6	110·9	Property	107·7	113·5
148·0	117·3	Equity	141·2	148·7
117·6	109·5	Fixed Int	111·6	117·6
115·0	109·7	Money	106·4	112·0
234·4	192·6	Man. Pens	216·1	221·6
105·1	100·0	Deposit Pens.	97·9	103·1

TEACHERS ASSURANCE CO. LTD

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
120·1	113·3	Managed Fund	113·1	119·1
119·7	113·6	Gilt & Fixed Int. Fd.	113·7	119·7
115·8	113·4	Cash Fund	110·0	115·8

TRANSINTERNATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. LTD
55-57, High Holborn WC1 6DU 01-831 7481

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
227·6	215·0	Series 2 Man. Fund	210·7	221·2
274·2	251·1	Series 2 Equity Fund	261·0	274·7
213·5	203·2	Series 2 Prop. Fund	197·7	208·1
204·4	195·6	Series 2 Fixed Int. Fd	194·2	204·4
177·1	143·5	Series 2 Money Fund	159·8	177·1
207·3	181·2	Series 2 O'seas Fund	185·6	196·8
227·1	210·5	Gilt Invest. Fund	213·9	225·7
311·5	303·5	Gilt Managed Fund	290·1	305·3
227·2	219·9	Managed Fund Int.	206·0	215·7
256·5	234·6	Managed Fund Acc.	239·4	251·9
362·1	320·6	Man. Pen. Fund Cap.	325·7	340·7
435·4	421·2	Man. Pen. Fund Acc.	419·8	441·6

TRIDENT LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
London Road, Gloucester, GL1 3LE 0452-500500

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
263·0	230·5	American	216·6	226·1
190·5	176·4	International	170·2	179·3
261·2	252·0	U.K. Equity	264·1	278·1
256·9	251·8	Managed	246·8	259·9
325·8	303·7	High Yield	319·3	335·7
255·9	210·6	Gilt Edged	214·2	225·6
285·3	252·8	Growth Acc.	283·6	298·8
240·5	241·2	Growth Cap.	232·4	244·6
310·6	305·6	Property	295·2	310·8
255·0	246·5	Guaranteed	249·6	263·0
217·6	212·8	Money	206·7	217·6
255·4	245·1	Fiscal	242·2	255·0
354·5	340·9	Pensions Managed	335·3	354·1
239·2	231·5	Pensions Deposit	227·1	239·2
320·6	310·0	Pensions Property	304·5	320·6
257·7	239·0	Pensions Gilt Edged	244·7	257·7
355·5	345·1	Pensions Equity	334·5	352·0
112·9	104·2	Pensions Swiss Bond	100·7	106·1
119·0	115·4	Pens ons Worldwide	113·0	119·0
116·0	104·8	Henderson Active	109·4	119·8
133·6	109·9	Perpetual Active	112·6	118·6
105·8	91·5	Trident Bond	100·4	105·8
108·9	100·0	Henderson Pens.	100·7	106·1
131·5	100·0	Perpetual Pens.	124·7	131·3

VANBRUGH LIFE ASSURANCE LTD
41-43 Maddox Street, London W1R 9LA 01-499 4923

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
366·0	341·4	Managed	340·7	358·7
695·5	611·2	Equity	651·4	685·7
302·0	281·8	Fixed Interest	286·3	301·4
255·0	251·1	Property	242·2	255·0
303·1	260·0	International	250·0	263·2
131·6	110·0	North American	111·4	117·3
115·6	96·5	Pacific Basin	93·5	98·5
121·6	110·1	European	110·7	116·6
202·7	198·0	Cash	192·6	202·7
329·0	305·9	Pensions Managed	307·6	323·8
446·1	407·3	Pens ons Equity	419·9	442·0
273·2	254·4	Pensions Fixed Int	259·5	273·2
222·5	216·5	Pens ons Property	211·3	222·5
123·0	116·1	Pensions Index-Linked Gilt	114·2	120·3
151·0	141·4	Pens Intern'l Money	134·9	142·0
156·0	131·4	Pens. Global Equity	126·8	133·5
105·2	100·1	Pensions Cash	99·9	105·2
125·0	81·4	Pens. Guaranteed (Y)	—	108·8

* Ex-distribution.
† Based on offer prices.
W X Ex-withdrawal.

OTTOMAN BANK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in accordance with *Article 29 of the Statutes,* the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd MAY, 1985, in THE SKINNERS' HALL, 8½ DOWGATE HILL, LONDON EC4 at 11 a.m. to receive a Report from the Committee with the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1984; to propose a Dividend; and to elect Members of the Committee.

By Article 27 of the Statutes the General Meeting is *composed of holders, whether in person or by proxy or both* together, of at least thirty shares, who, to be entitled to take part in the Meeting, must deposit their shares and, as may be necessary, their proxies at the Head Office of the Company in Istanbul or at any of the branches, or in London at Dunster House, 3rd floor, 37 Mincing Lane, EC3R 7DN or in Paris at 7 rue Meyerbeer, 75009, at least ten days *before the date fixed for the Meeting.*

The Report of the Committee and the Accounts which will be presented to the General Meeting are available to the Shareholders at the Head Office in Istanbul and at the offices in *London and Paris.*

T. R. STEPHENS
Secretary to the Committee

24th April, 1985

COMMODITIES

THE BOARD of the London Metal Exchange has been unable to accept proposed changes to the copper contract, it announced yesterday. The changes are understood to have concerned the introduction of a three tier contract for the metal.

LONDON METAL MARKETS
Rudolf Wolff Report.

COPPER: Steady. Wire Bars: Off Settlement £1,226 (£1,187). Off Midday Cash £1,224-£1,226. 3 Months £1,171-£1,173. After Close Cash £1,215-£1,216·50. 3 Months £1,171-£1,71·50. T/O 23,425 tonnes. Cathodes: Quiet. Off Settlement £1,173 (£1,165). Off Midday Cash £1,171-£1,173. 3 Months £1,172-£1,173. After Close Cash £1,170-£1,172. 3 Months £1,169-£1,170. T/O 350 tonnes.

TIN: Steadier. Off Settlement £9,145 (£9,270). Off Midday Cash £9,140-£9,142. 3 Months £9,150-£9,160. After Close Cash £9,220-£9,240. 3 Months £9,230-£9,240. T/O 1,535 tonnes.

LEAD: Steady. Off Settlement £311 (£302). Off Midday: Cash £310-£311. 3 Months £309·50-£310. After Close Cash £309·50-£310·50. 3 Months £309-£309·50. T/O 4,600 tonnes.

ZINC: Steady. Off settlement £700 (£696): off midday cash £698-£700: 3 mths £696-£697: aft close cash £703-£704: 3 mths £701-£702. T/o 6,625 tonnes.

SILVER: Quiet. Midday cash 497·5p-498p: 3 mths 515·5p-515·8p: aft close cash 501p-502p: 3 mths 516·5p-517p: T/o 57 lots of 10,000ozs each.

ALUMINIUM: Steadier. Off settlement £880 (£871): off midday cash £879-£880: 3 mths £900·50p-£901: aft close cash £887-£888: 3 mths £908-£908·50p. T/o 13,150 tonnes.

NICKEL: Firmer. Off settlement £4,400 (£4,305): off midday cash £4,395-£4,400: 3 mths £4,300-£4,305: aft close cash £4,460-£4,480: 3 mths £4,370-£4,380. T/o 966 tonnes.

LONDON GOLD FUTURES (price in $): Nil lots traded.

LONDON SILVER MARKET: Spot 499·90 (499·90): 3 mths 514·90 (514·13): 6 mths 529·60, (528·90): 1-yr 533·75 (554·90).

PLATINUM: Free-market £225·35 (£224).

LONDON COMMODITY MARKETS

RUBBER: Spot: 65-68 (65-68).

SISAL: East African quoted levels. No. 1 Bass $660. No. 3 Long $640. C.I.F. Antwerp prices.

SUGAR: London daily price raws £77 ($98·50). No. 6 contract £ per tonne. May 99-99·20. Aug. 106-106·20. Oct. 109·60-109·80. Dec. 115·80-117. March 138-138·80. May 155-155·60. Aug. 158-159. T/o 734 lots.

SOYA MEAL: Firmer. June £25-£25·50. Aug. £23·90-£24·10. Oct. £26-£26·50. Dec. £30-£30·40. Feb. £35-£35·70. April £36-£36·80. June £36-£37·50. T/o 865 lots.

COCOA E.D. & F. Man (Cocoa) Report (£ per tonne) closing prices: May 1,861 sell, 1,860 buy. July 1,877. 1,878. Sept. 1,852 1,851. Dec. 1,795. 1,790. May 1,799, 1,792. July 1,804. 1,800. Sales: 5,679. Options: 5.

COFFEE. £ per ton: May 2,097. July 2,142. Sept. 2,177. Nov. 2,208. Jan. 2,210. March 2,195. May 2,160. Sales: 3,885.

LIVE PIGS (Gafta) pence per kilo: May 95·30. June 95. July 93·50. Aug. 94. Sept. 95·50. Oct. 97. Nov. 98. Jan. 95. Feb. 94·60. March 93·50. April 92. T/o 1 lot.

CRUDE OIL

Rotterdam spot prices in $: Arab Light 2765. Dubai Light 26·50. Arab Heavy 26·25. North Sea (Forties) 27·80. North Sea (Brent) 28. Nigerian Bonny Medium 27·50.

GAS OIL FUTURES

April 231·50-31. May 228·75-28·50. June 223·50-23·25. July 222-21·75. Aug. 224·75-23. Sept. 226·50-26. Oct. 230-26. Nov. 230-27. Dec. 229-28·25. Total volume: 731. Premier Man.

COVENT GARDEN

Vegetables lb: bobbi beans 35. Kenya beans 90-100. root artichoke 15. asparagus 60-100. aubergines 30-40. broad beans 30. cabbage 14. calabrese 100. old carrot 8-10. new 18-20. chicory 50. Courgettes 20-30. fennel 40. spring green 3-10. leeks 20-30. shallots 40. mangetout 150. mushroom 50-70. onion 7-12. parsnip 7-10. capsicums 40-60. old potatoes 2-4. new 12-16. homegrown new 80-100. swedes 7. peas 40. spinach 35. each: Globe choke 30. cauliflower 20-30. sweetcorn 30. celeriac 20-30.

Salad lb: New beet 17. old 5-7. cooked 25. chinese leaf 10. parsley 40. tomato 30-35. bunch: Radish 20. cress 18. mustard and cress 7. spring onion 8. each: Celery 12-30. cucumber 20-40. round lettuce 7-8. cos 23. Iceberg 20-40. curly endive 30.

Fruit lb: Eating apple 10-30. cookers 9-14. bananas 32-34. grapes 30-45. pears 10-26. rhubarb 8-15. strawberry 70-80. each: Avocado 15-40. coconut 28. grapefruit 11-20. kiwi 30-40. kiwi 22-26. lemons 4-10. limes 16-18. mango 50-60. pawpaw 100. melons 70-150. oranges 4-20. tangerines 10-15. pineapples 25-60. ugli fruit 20-60. sharon 40.

LONDON GRAIN MARKETS

HGCA—local ex-farm spot prices and change on last week. SE: Feed Wheat 121 up 160. feed barley 114·50 up 30. SW: feed wheat 120·80. feed barley 113·50. W Midlands feed wheat 118·30 up £150. feed barley 114·10 down 30.

BARLEY. £ per ton: May 114·60. Sept. 87·80. Nov. 102·30. Jan. 103·20. March 109·10. WHEAT: £ per ton May 118·65. July 122·30. Sept. 99·55. Nov. 102·70. Jan. 106·40.

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PIGMEAT (Gafta) pence kilo: June 103·30. Aug. 100·9. Oct. 106·70. Nov. 107·20. Feb. 99·30. April 100. T/o 77 lots.

POTATOES (Gafta): April £50·10. May £52·80. Nov. £70·50. Feb. £77·60. April £95. T/o 257 lots.

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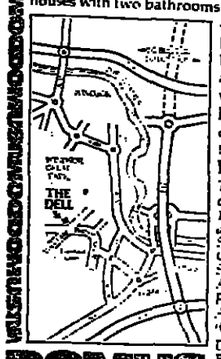

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The figures predict an increase to 18·5 million households by 2001, a rise of about 2·3 million on the 1981 level. Of that increase 1·6 million are expected to be single, a million of them elderly and the remainder single young people.

Where will they all live? At the present rate of house building (well below 200,000 units a year) the best we could hope for is to just about reach that target; but land is getting more scarce by the year.

The situation has become desperate in the more popular areas of the south east, where the cost of the land can now represent 40 per cent. or more of the price of the finished house.

A considerable contribution to the housing stock is being made by the restoration and conversion of old buildings that were never intended to be lived in. Barns, stables, churches, breweries, mills and oast houses are among the most prized edifices now being eyed by builders.

Some of the resulting conversions are splendid, and some are not so exciting. The National House-Building Council (N H B C) does now offer builders a buyers' warranty rather similar to that offered on almost all new houses, but not all the conversions qualify for cover.

One specialist's work that I always enjoy seeing is that of Downland Design and Build, who operate mainly in Kent, Sussex and Hampshire. The company is building four very unusual but exciting homes in what was, until recently, a near derelict stable and cowshed. It is also starting work soon on a disused oast, with two square kilns. Both developments are close to Liss, Hampshire.

A particular feature of the houses in the old stable at Pophole Farm is the gallery that has been created in what would otherwise have remained wasted roof space. Large windows allow light to pour in, making this a perfect artist's studio, study, bedroom, extra living room or general "den."

Looking at the ancient building it is hard to see how one house could be fitted in to it, let alone four, but the floor space of the largest is 964 square feet. Ancient timbers have been cleaned and replaced where necessary, chimneys have been built for a wood-burning stove, and kitchens of ample proportions have been constructed. Each has a small private garden and a larger shared garden. Old bricks and tiles have been sought and bought to match the existing ones of circa 1750 vintage.

All this attention to detail would have been expected to push up the price, but at between £45,000 and £65,000 they seem to be excellent value. The Petersfield office of Gascoigne-Pees has details.

The oast house at Steep Marsh Farm, is still at the planning stage, although consent exists for conversion of about 3,800 sq. ft of floor space. The company is however seeking consent to make use of the upper floor of the square kilns, which would give a further 500 sq. ft of living space.

In both projects, architectural features, including the "dunce's cap" cowls on the kilns and the clock tower and weather vane on the stables, are being restored.

Four old farm buildings on part of a former West Sussex estate have been given a new lease of life by South Wall Developments, and they are being sold through Whiteheads. They were two barns, a coach house and a cottage.

Again extensive use has been made of original timbers. They are at Haben Farm, Rogate, in the peaceful Rother Valley. The larger of the two barns has made a four-bedroom home on four floors. It is priced at £112,000. The coach house is priced at £95,000, and the second barn at £107,000. The three-bedroom cottage, priced at £85,000, is now sold.

Square kilns at Steep Marsh Farm, Liss, Hants, which may be converted to accommodate an upper floor.

Old Soar Oast, Plaxtol, Kent, in 2½ acres, is expected to sell for some £250,000

Dudley Bros, in the Strand, London, tell me they have four studios, ideal for artists or designers (as opposed to the self-contained bed-sit which agents and builders alike tend to describe as studios). The bright little dwellings have been built within the early 19th-century Pimms bottle factory, in Hanbury Mews, Islington. They have enormous windows and a balcony, and accommodation includes two bedrooms and a fine first-floor drawing room. Prices start at £110,000; one studio has been sold.

Flexford House School, at Highclere, near Newbury but in Hampshire, has been empty since the 70 girls packed their bags at the end of last summer term. It has dormitories, a cottage, the assembly hall, barns, classrooms, the period house itself, and 4½ acres of land. When it is auctioned next week by Dreweatt Watson and Barton a price in excess of £150,000 is expected. It may not sound much, but a deal of work awaits the builder.

Sworders in Saffron Walden, Essex, report growing interest in this north Essex area, attributed in no small way to the greatly improved communications, with London accessible by the M11 motorway. The company showed me a magnificent thatched barn in the depths of rural Essex near Wimbush.

The mediaeval aisled barn, with consent for conversion into a home, is massive, measuring 100 ft in length. It has some 14th-century timber work, but most dates from the 17th century. In addition there are sheds, loose boxes, calf pens, cowshed and dairy, plus a little land. Water and electricity are available, but the price guide of £80,000 may deter all but the dedicated barn-lovers.

A similar price guide is given by Pearsons for the thatched barn at Lake Farm, Eastleigh, Hampshire, a 17th-century hipped Queen Post barn, plus a 19th-century stable block. Permission exists for a five-bedroom home to be built within the barn, and there are three acres of land.

Another barn is undergoing conversion at Wissington, near Bures, Suffolk, close to the Essex border. Hullbacks Barn, which is listed Grade II, stands in an acre of land in a rural setting. It is being converted into a five-bedroom house. Bairstow Eves expect it to sell for £165,000 when work is completed.

Proof that there is no shortage of potential buyers for near-derelict property comes from Stags, in Tiverton, Devon, who had more than 1,000 inquiries for Withleigh Mill, near the old town, when the company advertised it recently. The mill itself and the cottage, standing in more than five acres and having 450 yards of fishing on the River Dart, sold at auction after brisk bidding at £52,250. Among the other lots was the mill owner's house, which fetched £54,000.

Another water mill, containing original machinery which could be brought back to working order, is offered by F. L. Hunt, in Langport. Thorney Water Mill, near Langport, Somerset, has more than 4,000 sq. ft of floor space, and could be converted into a fine house, but there is not much land with it. A price guide of between £50,000 and £70,000 is given.

Finally for a conversion of the highest quality which has been completed with minute attention to detail. The Old Soar Oast, at Plaxtol, near Sevenoaks, in Kent, was last used for drying the local hops in 1968. The three kilns and the stowage have since been converted into an enviable home, with much of the old workings, including the original hop press, emphasised and displayed.

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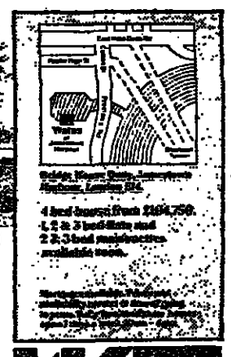

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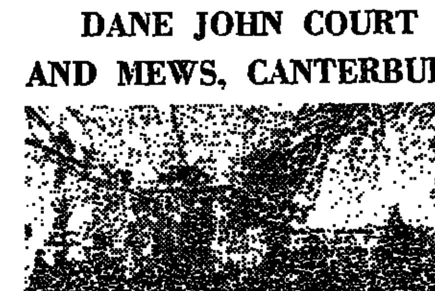

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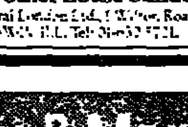

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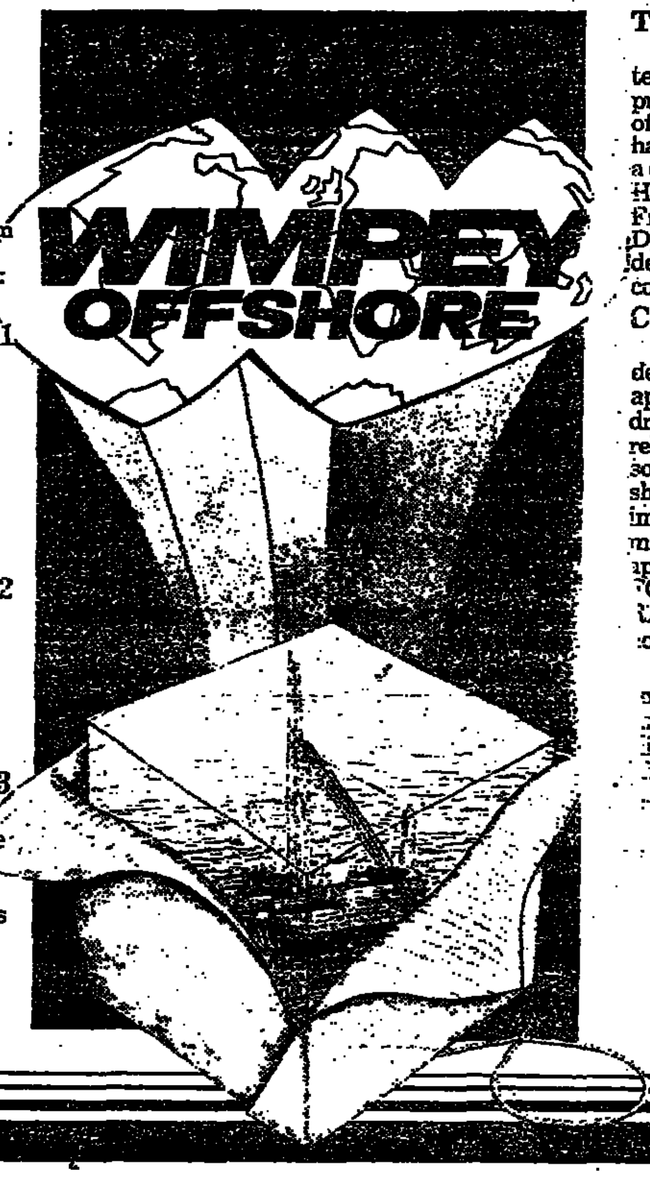

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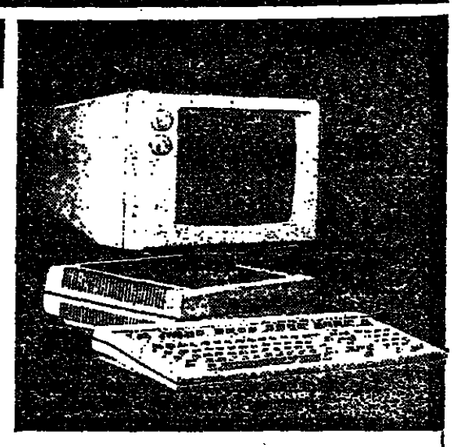

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REQUEST FOR THIRD 'LEAGUE' FACES RFU

By JOHN MASON

PERMISSION for a third national merit table in England is being sought from the Rugby Football Union. A dozen clubs would be involved in a competition due to start next September.

The organisers envisage, also, two regional merit tables to serve as a feeder system for automatic promotion and relegation to and from the three nationwide "leagues."

All plans, though, depend upon how the R F U's annual meeting in July regards this type of competition, which is based on a percentage of matches won within a group of 12 clubs.

Last year an R F U proposal to establish a national merit table (N M T) failed at the annual meeting by a handful of votes in a turn-out that represented barely 25 per cent. of the membership. A similar resolution will be put this summer.

The two national tables already in existence are not illegal because it is R F U policy to permit clubs, subject to a multiplicity of regulations, to so band together. All the annual meeting did was to defeat a specific scheme.

Closed doors

The objections were not to merit tables as such but to those which, effectively, were self-perpetuating because entry was decided by fixture lists—and fixture lists were decided by the competing clubs, thus enabling doors to remain closed.

The senior clubs licked their wounds, regrouped, forming themselves into tables A and B and, retrogressively, to cover results of matches already played, were allowed in January to establish for one season only the competition which Sale won last Saturday.

The 24 clubs concerned—12 in each table—believe they will be allowed to carry on the competition next winter. That is the only way they can plan ahead. But they do not doubt the strength of the opposition or the spread of the lobbying which will go on.

There is the added complication this time round of county versus divisional championship, too, a debate which the clubs see as leaving them as the coconut-shy. They consider horse-trading to be a likely tactic.

The opposition, in the main, last year was led by Roy Manock, Yorkshire's secretary, who has similar duties for the Northern division. By the time this year's annual meeting is over, Mr Manock will possess another hat—that of RFU member for Yorkshire in succession to Teddy Scott.

The impetus for a third N M T — Table C — has come from Nuneaton, as my colleague, Charles Randall, informed the DAILY TELEGRAPH readers some weeks ago. The original five supporting clubs have recently been joined by six others and their plans have been put to the R F U this week.

The clubs concerned are Nuneaton, Fylde, Wakefield, Plymouth Albion, West Hartlepool, Met. Police, Morley, Roundhay, Sheffield, Vale of Lune, Birmingham and Exeter. Regional lists, North D and South D, are being prepared.

"A third table," said Steve Smith, of West Hartlepool, yesterday, "is a logical step in the formation of a national merit system which, we believe, should involve automatic promotion and relegation, including to and from the two regional tables.

"We see it as a practical step, a constructive effort to answer a variety of criticisms, including those from clubs not presently in tables A and B.

Quick reaction

"West Hartlepool aren't, for example, but we see no future in grumbling about that. In these instances clubs have to do something, which is why Nuneaton, who set things going, quickly found several like-minded clubs.

"As a group we've attempted to do nothing behind anyone's back. We believe we've kept everyone informed who should be—from county repercsentatives to RFU members, from Bob Weighill, the RFU secretary, to the chairmen of the appropriate RFU committees. This is an important step and we believe we shall succeed."

Rugby Union Commentary

TODAY'S RUGBY

CLUB MATCHES. — Abertillery v Tredegar (7 p.m.), Bath v Cardiff (7.15), Bedford v Nuneaton (7.15), Otley v Rugby, S. Wales Police v Pontypool (7).

BASS MERIT TABLE.—Western v Marc v Clifton.

CORNWALL MERIT TABLE. — Penzance v St Austell.

HERTS INTER-REGIONAL COMP.—North v South (Welwyn RFC, 6).

RUGBY LEAGUE.—Div. 2: Carlisle v Salford (7.30), Runcorn H v Rochdale H. (7.45).

Chris Martin, who plays against London Welsh in Saturday's John Player Special Cup Final.

BATH TRUST IN MARTIN

CHRIS MARTIN, England's full-back whose answer to his critics has been to train even harder than usual, returns to Twickenham this week with Bath in the John Player Special Cup Final against London Welsh on Saturday, writes John Mason.

Martin, though accident-prone in England's matches with Ireland and Wales this winter, has enjoyed a distinguished career with Bath, the Cup-holders, who have every confidence in his ability to return with interest every demand London Welsh will attempt to make.

Bath field 15 of last season's winning team, the only changes being Simon Halliday for Alun Rees at centre and Greg Bess in place of Rob Cunningham as hooker. Halliday, a B international, broke a leg last winter and Cunningham has been absent for most of this season.

The team includes nine full internationals and two B caps while David Sole, who has played for Scotland B, is on the bench.

Team:

C. Martin; D. Trick, S. Halliday, J. Palmer, B. Trevaskis; J. Horton, R. Hill; G. Chilcott, G. Bess, R. Lee, N. Gaymond, N. Redman, R. Spurrell (capt), J. Hall, P. Simpson. Replacements: J. Gimcott, A. Rees, C. Stanley, D. Sole, J. Deane, D. Egerton.

Referee: R. Quittenton (London).

Rees warns Welsh against euphoria

By DOUG IBBOTSON

AT Old Deer Park, the corner of a foreign field that is for ever Wales, there has lately been considerable speculation that, in the London Welsh centenary year, things cannot get much better.

Even before the latest miracle the scheduled course of events were truly inspirational to the exiled soul; a grand smoking concert, a world tour, a fixture with the Barbarians, an Anglo-Welsh Ball...

Then, to cap it all, the club reached the final of the John Player Cup. It was providential, boyo.

Nevertheless, it is much in the mind of Clive Rees, the London Welsh captain and wing three-quarter, that self-satisfaction and fine words will butter no leeks at Twickenham on Saturday when his side attempt to wrest the trophy from Bath.

Cautious view

Rees, whose fleetness of foot has earned him the pseudonym "Billy Whizz," treads more warily through the euphoria:

"There is no question," he declares, "that Bath are absolutely firm favourites.

"They are vastly experienced and their younger players have enjoyed that experience maybe a year longer than ours.

"London Welsh are getting there. In fact, we were having our best season for years—best home record, most tries, most individual points — until we lost three in a row at Easter.

Plan misfired

"It was symptomatic of a team sitting back and letting the discipline slide. We lacked "oomph," and that's something we have to recapture if we're to justify ourselves against Bath.

"Having said that, we were lacking several key players during that spell—not least Kevin Bowring—and my belief in running a smaller first team squad of 21 players misfired badly. Next year I'd recommend a return to a bigger squad.

"The immediate concern, though, is Saturday's final. How do you set out to beat a side like Bath? Well, we've studied video tapes and, without giving away any secrets, shall I say we're discussing a game plan...."

Sensing that the last statement lacked total conviction, Rees offered a more vigorous source of hope: "One thing in our favour is a capacity to rise to the big occasion. We can be motivated to do great things ... and it's my job to put this across.

"It's no use saying, 'look, we've had a fine season. Whatever happens today the centenary year will be a big success, so let's not be overawed.'

"No, some of the younger players, especially, are going to realise that what they might have regarded as a great fun run in a very enjoyable season has suddenly brought them to an occasion of great importance.

"I predict there'll be a record attendance at Twickenham for this final, and for 80 minutes we intend to interrupt the centenary celebrations with the enduring spirit and substance of London Welsh rugby."

FAR EAST TOUR

Derek Bovd, the "B" International full-back who has not been chosen for England's seven match tour of New Zealand next month, is to go on West Hartlepool's ve match tour of Sipgapore, Bangkok and Jakarta instead. England leave on May 12, West Hartlepool on May 18.

RUGBY CLUB RECORDS

LONDON & S.E.

	W	D	L	F	A
Abbey	12	2	2	431	212
Askeans	38	2	4	586	384
Bancroft	11	1	18	378	452
Barnet	11	3	17	344	518
Beckenham	13	1	14	469	387
B Stortford	13	1	14	448	384
Blackheath	18	2	13	530	525
Bletchley	22	1	8	445	263
Bromley	12	3	15	381	373
Camberley	15	1	15	394	364
Canterbury	12	1	18	337	475
Centaurs	13	3	15	336	421
Chichester	30	0	3	879	238
Chislehurst	18	2	8	364	295
C Service	11	0	20	358	580
Colchester	27	2	7	818	356
Dartfrthrd	13	2	12	327	252
E Grinstd	24	0	8	821	277
Eastleigh	18	0	13	354	389
Ellingham	11	1	15	270	410
Esher	15	2	14	503	443
Eton Mnr	21	1	10	441	301
Folkestone	17	3	11	514	300
Gillingham	21	1	8	498	302
Grasshprs	24	0	9	633	302
Guildford	27	1	9	792	365
Harlequins	16	1	17	529	431
Harlow	20	1	16	562	388
Henoon	17	0	11	454	397
Henley	23	2	7	536	278
Hertford	19	1	15	478	330
H Wycombe	28	1	14	791	484
Ilford	6	1	19	249	328
Lewes	23	1	7	662	323
Lloyds B	14	1	16	316	402
L Cornish	12	4	9	401	296
L Irish	20	0	17	336	548
L Scottish	10	1	16	372	407
L Welsh	22	2	10	739	535
Maidenhd	23	3	4	479	192
Maidstone	29	2	4	879	401
Met Police	15	0	15	507	478
Mill Hill	21	1	7	640	301
Mitcham	17	3	11	438	308
Nat West	24	0	14	718	443
Nw Ash G	18	1	12	513	396
Newbury	13	3	22	437	501
N Welsham	24	2	6	559	371
Osterley	7	2	17	209	517
Park Hse	18	1	11	384	303
Petersfield	17	2	12	388	383
Pinner	10	0	15	443	323
Portsmouth	16	2	18	477	438
Purley	15	2	10	337	233
Reading	18	0	10	403	288
Richmond	11	0	18	487	503
Rosslyn Pk	25	1	12	672	364
Saracens	18	0	19	671	544
Sidcup	26	2	7	869	316
Slough	19	2	12	300	243
Southend	23	0	7	665	318
Staines	16	2	20	401	515
Stockwd P	19	1	15	503	356
Sutton	13	0	14	407	401
Tabard	27	1	7	836	151
Thanet W	18	2	14	512	308
Trojans	8	4	20	360	516
Twickenhm	18	0	14	453	356
Un Vand	15	1	12	336	382
US Portsmth	21	0	11	156	217
U Clapton	7	0	18	243	410
Vigo	15	0	13	398	343
Wasps	25	2	7	838	228
Welwyn	6	0	24	309	443
Woodford	16	1	12	378	223
Worthing	16	0	13	481	355

OLD BOYS

	W	D	L	F	A
Albanians	24	1	7	512	287
Alleynians	25	1	8	705	269
Bec	14	2	9	359	219
Beccehamns	16	0	12	483	373
Blues	14	1	13	508	301
Bohemians	12	2	15	354	377
Brocklehans	23	1	3	490	259
Campion	21	2	8	479	212
Caterhamns	4	5	18	283	479
Croleighns	17	2	5	474	288
Cryptians	11	2	18	294	357
Dunstanians	12	1	18	302	405
Edwards R	13	2	10	417	297
Elthrhms B	6	0	21	215	448
Emanuel	16	4	9	414	371
Guptulans	20	0	8	768	223
Guildfrdns	25	0	7	859	247
Haberdshrs	23	0	9	463	275
Hurptulans	15	4	9	348	345
Isleworthns	9	2	15	318	384
Juddians	25	2	3	609	231
Meadonians	16	3	14	437	472
M Taylors	12	0	21	464	466
M-Whitelf	26	3	5	484	174
Paulians	9	0	18	297	396
Pelhamians	21	3	6	529	187
Rovnth Mr	11	2	14	333	334
Rutlishians	23	2	5	457	243
Tiffinians	24	3	7	609	300
U.C.S.	8	0	18	298	437
Westcliffans	22	0	13	495	378
Whitgiftans	12	1	17	349	343

MIDLANDS

	W	D	L	F	A
Banbury	20	1	14	519	404
Bedford	17	3	10	500	701
Birmingham	14	2	17	342	543
Gloucester	30	1	13	615	247
Camp Hill	8	3	19	313	432
Coventry	17	3	17	651	582
Derby	21	1	11	648	409
Kenilworth	19	3	13	484	318
Kettering	16	1	12	378	223
Kings N	24	0	10	586	397
Leamington	21	1	14	568	497
Lutterwth	23	1	8	632	327
Leicester	18	2	10	554	446
Lichfield	31	1	5	858	253
L Buckby	17	0	14	462	331
Lutonians	17	1	14	323	292
Moderns	17	0	14	496	351
Moseley	26	0	12	787	575
Newark	18	3	12	430	397
Newbld A	17	3	11	477	397
Northampton	19	2	16	544	673
Nottingham	28	1	7	866	298
Nuneaton	23	0	16	718	387
Nuneaton OE	27	1	1	840	147
Q Leamns	14	5	14	446	307
Oxford	17	1	16	575	416
Oxford M	8	3	17	283	316
Rugby	8	1	20	223	843
Solihull	18	1	12	458	346
Stamford	22	2	7	654	202
Stonegate	20	1	13	543	396
Willingboro	15	2	13	393	394
Westleigh	20	4	9	661	352

WEST & S.W.

	W	D	L	F	A
Bath	28	1	7	845	353
Bery Hill	30	1	3	898	308
Bristol	29	1	11	942	484
Bodmin	24	1	17	715	342
Bude	21	2	7	322	177
Camborne	33	1	9	980	288
Cambras S	14	0	13	339	376
Cinderfd	25	1	7	643	319
Crediton	21	2	11	476	489
Devizes	9	1	20	337	582
Devonport S	23	1	6	589	238
Dunleav	10	3	20	332	506
Exeter	9	1	26	422	908
Exeter S	17	1	12	356	307
Falmouth	8	1	23	263	525
Gloucester	30	1	13	615	247
Hayle	11	2	26	402	765
Helston	28	2	14	471	388
Hogan Pk	23	2	10	585	434
Launceston	23	0	16	513	335
Liskeard	11	2	17	323	379
Okehampton	32	1	5	800	268
O Saltans	23	1	9	468	302
Ormskirk	28	0	5	785	178
Penryn	16	2	16	388	504
Penzance-N	18	1	20	381	607
Plymth Al	25	1	16	768	371
Redruth	24	2	17	512	425
Redruth Al	9	4	26	368	690
Redrth GS	14	2	19	362	496
Rossland	8	1	23	310	566
RAF St M	16	1	18	424	470
RNAS C	12	0	14	499	327
St Agnes	10	2	18	300	375
St Austell	10	2	24	380	554
St Day	9	2	25	280	587
St Ives	26	1	9	676	379
St Just	23	0	13	607	443
Salisbury	28	1	8	747	225
Sidmouth	21	3	14	600	488
S Molton	33	1	10	988	382
Stithians	19	3	21	588	522
Tiverton	19	3	18	562	490
Torrey A	17	1	11	487	488
Trenalls	9	2	23	233	681
Truro	19	0	23	843	320
Veor	11	2	21	345	476
Wdrdg C	17	2	17	504	339
Wellington	8	3	30	292	738
Wstn-s-M	18	1	21	513	527
Wimborne	22	1	13	823	311

WALES

	W	D	L	F	A
Aberavon	16	0	25	712	712
Abertillery	13	1	26	424	767
Bridgend	27	0	18	818	627
Cardiff	32	2		1044	475
Cross Keys	10	1	27	438	685
Ebbw Vale	17	0	21	489	685
Glam Wnd	23	1	20	725	585
Llanelli	29	0	13	1062	811
Maesteg	23	1	17	540	621
Neath	35	2	9	1118	484
Newbridge	23	0	17	710	581
Newport	21	2	16	672	669
Penarth	2	0	39	215	1516
Pontypool	35	2	4	1154	368
Pontypridd	18	2	20	314	553
S Wales P	23	2	7	714	405
Swansea	30	0	10	915	547
Tredegar	9	1	16	310	403

NORTH

	W	D	L	F	A
Blackshead	20	1	14	419	337
Broughtn P	17	1	20	574	683
Bradford	16	1	18	370	473
Durham C	25	1	10	831	391
Fylde	18	1	17	525	441
Gosforth	26	0	14	717	422
Halifax	13	2	23	381	555
Headingley	27	1	10	788	395
Harrogate	15	1	18	435	403
Hartlepl R	15	1	22	507	403
Manchester	14	0	22	380	680
Middlesbro	23	1	10	598	350
Morley	23	0	9	898	376
N Brighton	7	1	26	279	974
Northern	27	0	21	531	606
Orrell	26	2	6	1221	381
Otley	24	4	8	489	380
Preston	18	2	18	549	444
Percy Pk	25	3	14	578	451
Roundhay	22	0	18	678	608
Sale	17	3	20	520	367
Sheffield	25	0	15	626	479
Vale of L	25	3	9	718	433
Wakefield	17	3	18	552	549
Wilmslow	14	0	28	333	543
Waterloo	21	0	10	774	215
W Hartlepl	32	1	10	798	456

IRELAND

	W	D	L	F	A
Ballynena	21	3	13	357	389
Bangor	18	0	10	343	284
CYMS	6	0	15	347	357
Collegians	13	0	9	349	268
C of Derry	13	1	12	388	342
Dungannon	15	1	12	301	344
Instonians	28	1	4	682	305
Malone	20	0	7	419	230
North	20	1	8	443	264
Bective	17	1	16	591	489
Blackrock	15	1	9	416	338
Bohemians	9	1	15	262	357
Cork Con	20	0	2	431	297
Dolphin	9	2	14	296	353
Lansdowne	17	0	12	420	317
Garryowen	13	3	15	329	373
Greystones	20	1	11	563	364
Lansdowne	21	1	6	480	309
O Bredere	11	1	16	348	398
O Wesley	14	1	18	413	393
St Mary's	8	2	16	306	325
Shannon	19	2	7	441	287
Sunday's W	5	1	19	182	391
Terenure	13	1	12	336	387
Wanderers	23	0	7	518	119
Y Munstr	14	0	12	389	280

UNIVERSITIES

	W	D	L	F	A
Cambridge	13	1	9	571	413
Oxford	7	0	16	372	431
Queens Bfst	8	0	15	411	459
Trinity D	16	1	9	436	347
UC, Cork	12	1	14	337	390
UC, Dublin	8	1	11	310	338

Tonight's Boxing

GRAHAM AIMING HIGH

HEROL GRAHAM'S handlers are so confident that he will win the vacant British middleweight title against Jimmy Price at the Shoreditch Leisure Centre tonight that they have already made ambitions plans for him which they hope to announce tomorrow, writes Ken Mays.

It is easy to see why, because though Graham has often bored the public, he is still unbeaten.

In recent months the Sheffield boxer has come to the front as a world contender since moving up from light-middle, where he was British Commonwealth and European champion.

Yet, despite Graham's elusive style, it is hasty to discard Price. Despite his often lazy style he packs a punch that can end such dreams—such as that which earned him the Commonwealth title in Brisbane three years ago.

Caught cold

Against Graham's unblemished record, Price suffered his only defeat last year when he was caught cold by Ayub Kalule in the opening round, and it will be in the early rounds that Graham will try the same tactics.

After that it will be up to Price to corner the fast-moving Graham if he is to succeed. If the fight goes the full 12 rounds, Graham must be favourite.

Frank Bruno will have to wait before he gets the chance to win the European heavyweight title. His proposed challenge to Anders Ecklund, of Sweden, at Wembley on May 14 has been put back to June 25.

Ecklund has a damaged hand, but if he withdraws from the second date the European Boxing Union will strip him of the title and find a new opponent for Bruno for the vacant title.

Athletics

Budd is ruled out by protest fears

By KEN MAYS

ZOLA BUDD, the world cross-country champion, is not among 40 British women invited to compete in the Gaymer's Cider series of three city centre road races which begins next month.

The women will race over 3,000 metres and the men over 10,000 metres. Total prize-money is £45,000.

Miss Budd was ignored by the organisers, the International Athletes' Club, because of fears of a repetition of the anti-apartheid scenes which spoiled the English Cross Country Championships at Birkenhead in February.

David Bedford, chairman of the I A C, of which Miss Budd is not yet a member, said "A road race course is just as difficult as a cross country event to police and we were not sure we could protect her against a demonstration."

Miss Budd, back in South Africa, would in any event be doubtful for the first two events, in Glasgow on May 5 and Cardiff on May 12, but is expected back in England at the end of May in time for the race around Pall Mall and St James's on June 2.

"The decision was taken because demonstrations detract from the athletics but if she applied to run we would obviously consider our decision," added Mr Bedford.

Wendy Sly, the Olympic 1,500 metres silver medallist who again beat Miss Budd in a road race in Phoenix in last month, is returning to take part in the London event, which carries a participation prize of £500.

The leading woman can win a total of £2,500 from the competition while the leading man carries off £5,000 with individual awards at the three meetings of £750.

Tim Hutchings, who has just returned from three months in Australia, will take part in the Glasgow and London races and Seb Coe may run in Cardiff.

Point-to-Point

Flying Ace step nearer Grand Marnier title

By DAVID WELCH

FLYING ACE, the second most successful point-to-pointer for the last two seasons, moved into contention for this year's Grand Marnier award by winning his fourth race in 12 days at Tranwell on Saturday.

The title goes to the owner of the horse with most victories in a season, and Scottish-trained Flying Ace's five-length success in the Braes of Derwent Ladies' was his sixth this year and 23rd since 1985.

Flying Ace joins Phil Grey and MacKelly, who both won on Saturday, at the head of the championship but Doreen Calder, his regular rider, is far from confident that he will make it third time lucky.

"We've got only two more races for Flying Ace in the north," she said, "and he always seems to get pipped in the last few weeks by horses whose owners are prepared to travel the country. Our main objective is the RMC Group Ladies' Championship final at Chepstow next month."

Double for West

Phil Grey was one of two winners for Stephen West at the Tetcott, giving him a total of eight this year, the same as Jane McMath, who was successful on Mackelly at the Suffolk.

David Turner moved into double figures with Suffolk wins on Courtneigh (Members') and Barstick (Open) but he remains two behind Peter Greenall in the men's championship. Greenall rode a double at the Wheatland on the highly promising Highland Blaze (Adjacent) and James Duke (Maiden).

Greenall and his trainer Richard Lee suffered a setback when Pride of Tulloy was beaten half a length in the Restricted by Annalyst, but Lee gained compensation when his wife Carol took the Ladies' on Majetta Crescent for the fourth time.

Eight other riders completed doubles, including Jenny Pidgeon, Teresa Webber (her first), and Alison Dare, three of the season's leading women riders.

Miss Pidgeon, champion for the last three years, briefly led for the first time this season when she won the first two races at the Pegasus Club on French Peacock and Zarajeff. But Lucy Crow's treble at the Cheshire re-established her narrow advantage and she leads 13-12.

The Vine family had a double at the West Street, where on a day of surprises their Logan beat Colonel Henry in the Open and newcomer Mon's Beau, formerly a useful hurdler, took the Adjacent, both ridden by Nick Wheeler.

The previously unbeaten Brigadier Mouse went down by a length in the Ladies' to Jymario, who lost his appetite for racing until Tom Crowley took charge of him this year.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

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PRESIDIUM HAS SOUND CLAIMS IN EPSOM TRIAL

By HOTSPUR (Peter Scott)

PRESIDIUM can win Epsom's Racal-Vodafone Blue Riband Trial Stakes this afternoon to justify his joining Lanfranco in trainer Henry Cecil's challenge for the General Accident 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket on Saturday week.

Shadeed, the 2,000 Guineas favourite, missed two days' exercise late last week because of a minor mishap, but he is now back in work, and the Craven Stakes last week showed him race fit.

Shadeed is top-priced at 6-4, but the chief market move yesterday was for the Ladbrokes Free Handicap winner Over The Ocean, whom Mecca have shortened from 12-1 to 7-1.

Presidium is much less prominent in 2,000 Guineas betting, but he was among last season's smartest two-year-olds.

After an easy Yarmouth win, Presidium finished second to Local Suitor in Newbury's Mill Reef Stakes with Bassenthwaite behind them. Kris, second in 1979, Diesis and Keen are half-brothers to Presidium, who all ran in the 2,000 Guineas.

Presidium would have opposed the 2,000 Guineas second favourite Bairn at Newbury last Saturday but for sueprficial injuries He will be accompanied this afternoon by his unbeaten stable-companion Concorde Affair, who has not yet faced top opposition.

Peter Walwyn runs his Derby hope Khozaam who finished second in Ascot's Royal Lodge Stakes last September, but *Khozaam may not have the pace* to match Presidium (nap). Lidhame, the winner of the Salisbury 2,000 Guineas Trial, will miss the Newmarket classic in favour of Sunday's French counterpart race at Longchamp.

John Dunlop, who trains Lidhame, hopes that Willie Carson will be free to ride him in France. Dunlop has not yet booked a Newmarket jockey for Efisio, his 2,000 Guineas hope.

The form of Shadeed's Craven Stakes will undergo its first public inspection when the runner-up Damister tackles Saturday's Guardian Classic Trial Stakes at Sandown Park.

Damister, beaten six lengths by Shadeed in the Craven Stakes *will be ridden by Steve Cauthen* if Henry Cecil does not claim him.

Opposition to Damister at Sandown Park will include Tangognat, runaway winner of two Kempton Park races this month. Alain Lequeux is expected to be Tangognat's jockey.

West Tip, going so well when he fell at Becher's second time *round in the Grand National, has* been made 6-1 joint favourite with the Irish Grand National winner Rhyme 'n' Reason by Hills in early betting on Saturday's Whitbread Gold Cup.

The field for Sandown Park's big steeplechase is also expected to include Androma, Why Forget and A Kinsman, first, third and fourth in the William Hill Scottish National at Ayr last weekend.

Special Cargo, the 1984 Whitbread Gold Cup winner and his stable-companion Straight Accord head the handicap. The original weights go up by 14lb.

TODAY'S EPSOM SELECTIONS

HOTSPUR	COURSE CORR.	FORM
2. 0—Cronks Quality		2. 0—Cronks Quality
2.35—Corinth	2.35—ROYAL CRAFTSMAN (nap)	2.35—Percase
3. 5—PRESIDIUM (nap)		3. 5—PRESIDIUM (nap)
3.35—Amigo Loco	3.35—Little Starchy	3.35—Amigo Loco
4.10—Beveridge	4.10—Axiom	4.10—Sojourn
4.40—Eddie Zip	4.40—Westerham	4.40—Our Jock
5.10—Al-Aabir		5.10—Al-Aabir

HOTSPUR'S DOUBLE.—Presidium and Al-Aabir.
NEWMARKET NAP.—Presidium (3.5).
TONY STAFFORD.—The Upstart (4.40).

Course Notes & Hints

Craftsman is Best

By Our Course Corerspondent

ROYAL CRAFTSMAN*, bought by Dina Smith for 4,400gns out of Bill Elsey's stable in November, may put himself in profit for his new connections with victory in today's Great Metropolitan Handicap (2.35) at Epsom.

Despite running on ground softer than he prefers, the Workboy gelding made a success reappearance when beating Biddable by a head at Brighton this month.

Westerham, fourth to Castle Tweed at the same Brighton meeting, will also appreciate this faster ground. Reg Akehurst's colt can make full use of a 19lb concession by Our Jock in the Princes' Stand Handicap (4.40).

Little Starchy may provide a first training success on the Flat for former jump jockey Gerry Gracey in the Minoru Handicap (3.35) and **Axiom** *is fancied for* the Racal Electronics Handicap (4.10).

From Newmarket

CECIL & STOUTE MEN TO FOLLOW

By Our Resident Correspondent

Henry Cecil and Michael Stoute look set to dominate Epsom today, when they may share five winners. Stoute has a treble chance with Russian Noble (2.35), Sojourn (4.10) and Daring Way (4.40), while Cecil holds double *prospects* with Presidium (3.5) and Lyphard Chimes (5.10).

EPSOM: 2.35 Russian Noble; 3.5 Presidium (nap); 3.35 Camps Heath; 4.10 Sojourn; 4.40 Daring Way; 5.10 Lyphard Chimes.

PONTEFRACT: 2.45 Sharp Lane; 3.15 Decreto; 4.15 Otrebor; 4.45 Pubby; 5.15 Summer Fayre; 5.45 Circassia.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

EPSOM

Course Winners.—2.35 (1½m): Librate (1½m). 3.5 (1m 110y): Kentucky Quest (6f). 3.35 (5f): Clantime (5f), Little Starchy (5f twice), Bri-Ewen (5f), Barnet Heir (5f twice).

Jockeys (since March 1980).—Piggott 37, W. Carson 31, Cauthen 20, P. Eddery 14, Waldron 14, Starkey 11, P. Cook 10, Rouse 9, Reid 7, Crossley 6, Bradwell 5, Duffield 5, Mercer 5, Baxter 4, Thomas 4.

Trainers.—Lewis 20, Dunlop 17, Balding 10, Cecil 9, Hannon 9, Brittain 8, Thomson Jones 8, R. Smyth 8, Stoute 7, Pitt 6, Kelleway 5, Philip Mitchell 5, Walwyn 5.

BLINKERED RUNNERS

Honeyman (4.40 Epsom) is the only horse wearing blinkers for the first time today.

WHISTLER'S NAP

Meadowbrook (3.45 Pontefract) is today's revised nap by Whistler of the SUNDAY TELEGRAPH.

STATE OF GOING

Advance official going for tomorrow's meetings: Pontefract, "good"; Taunton, Fontwell Park, "firm."

Stella Grande (Ray Cochrane), holds the almost-hidden Dubian by a head at Epsom yesterday.

Charity the winner in Epsom highlight

By MARLBOROUGH (John Oaksey)

RIDING for the Disabled, one of Princess Anne's favourite charities, was the big winner at Epsom yesterday, when its president finished a close and honourable fourth on Against The Grain in the Farriers Invitation Private Sweepstakes.

Elain Mellor rode No-U-Turn into the Derby winner's enclosure to become the first woman jockey to have that honour.

All 16 runners were sponsored for a total of £52,000, and Sheikh Maktoum Al-Maktoum generously added £25,000 from his own pocket, so the Farriers' admirable objective was brilliantly achieved.

Against the Grain did his best to crown their efforts with the perfect result, and riding in her first race, Princess Anne kept *him clear of trouble and beautifully* balanced throughout.

With three furlongs left, she and Mrs Mellor were riding more or less knee to knee and although No-U-Turn produced the extra speed that counted, Against the Grain ran on bravely to the end, looking like a horse who now needs a longer *distance on the Flat.*

Nicholson delighted

David Nicholson, who played a vital part in the Princess's preparation, was delighted with *both horse and rider. And* although Princess Anne was not prepared to promise further rides in public, her evident enjoyment of the adventure did at least give grounds for hoping she may be back.

Mrs Mellor, the most consistently successful woman rider in British Flat racing, was on *her 49th winner in what she says* will be her last season. "This was a tremendous thrill," she said. "Although I am very much looking forward to our match against the Americans at York on June 14, that will be the end. I hope my daughter Dana will take over."

The triumphant run of Michael Stoute's three-year-olds suffered a setback when Morning Devotion ran out of steam in the Princess Elizabeth Stakes. "She just died in my hands two furlongs out," Walter Swinburn said. The filly either has failed to train on or more optimistically may need faster ground.

*In the hectic finish which fol*lowed, the one certainty is that Dubian, who was beaten a head into second place, was a desperately unlucky loser. She was challenging between Mary Davies and Graecia Magna when the gap became so narrow that Pat Eddery had to pull back and round.

By the time Eddery got out, Stella Grande was gone beyond recall and fast though Dubian finished, the post came a few yards too soon. Stella Grande, who is handled by the Chief Singer team of Ron Sheather and Ray Cochrane, is a useful filly, but I will be surprised if she beats Dubian again.

EPSOM 1-2-3

2.30: FARRIERS INVITATION PRIVATE SWEEPSTAKES 1½m

NO-U-TURN, b g Nonoalco—Ratlmarie (S. Tindall) 7 11-10 Elain Mellor 11-2JF 1

PETIT PAIN, b c Ile de Bourbon—Shortbread (L. Samers) 4 11-0 Joanna Winter 20-1 2

ARABIAN SEA, ch h Ardoon—Nicaway (The Racegoers Club Owners Group (1984)) 6 11-0 Malcolm Wallace 12-1 3

Also: 11-2JF Nestor (4th), Wash (6th), 6 Dhofar, 8 Oregon Trail, 9 The Friend, 11 Against The Grain (4th), 12 Sassanoco, 20 Knight's Heir, Tinsah, 33 Excavator Lady, Guilded Chief (5th), 50 Coffee House, Taras Chariot. 16 ran. ¾l, ¾l, 2l, 1l, 1l. 2m 50·00s. (S. Mellor, Lambourn). Tote: Win, £7·60; places, £2·70, £14·90, £6·80. Dual F'cast: £194·40. SPSF: £103·90.

3.5: TOM CANTON HOMEBREW APPRENTICES CH'SHIP H'CAP (Rd 5) Penalty Value £2,905 1m 110y

TAMERTOWN LAD, b c Crewtown—Gay Tamerind (A. Forster) 4 8-4 G. Landau 12-1 1

OPEN ALL HOURS, b c Martinmas—*Land (Britannic Shipping Services Ltd)* 3 8-3 J. Carroll 8-1 2

FAIR COUNTRY, ch f Town and Country—Fair Measure (Sir G. Brunton) 3 8-3 P. Brette 33-1 3

SWIFT PALM, b g Some Hand—March Stone (Nimrod Company) 8 9-0 N. Adams 11-2F 4

Also: 8 Fast Service, First Pleasure, Peandav, 11 Tom Forrester, 14 Double Quick Time, Jodi's Boy, Princess Possum, 16 Maloon's Token, 20 Pronounce Bride, Seven Swallows, Quadrant Chorister, 25 Park Springs, Rear Action, Trumps, 33 Rosolin (5th), Moordawn, Catman (6th), Landseer, Danish Express. 25 ran. 6l, 3l, ½l, 5l, nk. 1m 43·50s. (J. Jenkins, Epsom). Tote: Win, £22·80; places, £3·20, £1·40, £12·60, £1·50. Dual F'cast: £89·10. SPSF: £104·32. Tricast: £2,854·34.

3.35: PRINCESS ELIZABETH STKS 3-Y-O Fillies £19,224 1m 110y

STELLA GRANDE, ch f Record Token—Grove Star (D. McIntyre), 8-9 R. Cochrane 33-1 1

DUBIAN, b f High Line—Melodina (M. Obaida), 8-9 P. Eddery 12-1 2

JOLLY SAINT, b f Welsh Saint—Jolly Widow (P. Teinowitz), 8-12 W. Carson 16-1 3

Also: 8-11F Morning Devotion (6th), 13-2 Broke Free, 10 Glide By, 12 Mary Davies (4th), Graecia Magna (5th), 16 Chapel Light, 66 Little Bittern. 10 ran. Hd, 1½l, 3l, 4l, 6l. 1m 49·26s. (R. Sheather, Newmarket.) Tote: win, £127·50; places, £17·30, £2·90, £3·50. Dual F'cast: £105·00. SPSF: £352·54.

4.10: CITY & SUBURBAN H'CAP £9,598 1¼m

REDDEN, ch g Red God—Porden (A. Bateson), 7 7-4 C. Rutter 25-1 1

MAILMAN, ch g Malacate—Sallail (Mrs J. McDougald), 6 8-12 P. Eddery 8-1 2

ADIYAMANN, ch c Nishapour—Adayra (H.H. Aga Khan), 4 9-0 S. Cauthen 20-1 3

Also: 5-2F Lobkowiez (5th), 7 Promised Isle, 8 Folk Hill, 10 Duelling (4th), 14 Gunner Girl (6th), Mannann, 20 Bank Parade, Red Gay, 25 Foche, 33 Royal Rafo, Viceroy Lad, Woodsen. 15 ran. ¾l, 2l, hd, 4l, 2l. 2m 13·09s. (A. Pitt, Epsom.) Tote: win, £37·60; places, £5·30, £2·00, £5·80. Dual F'cast: £64·40. SPSF: £185·80. Tricast: £3,651·49.

4.40: CUDDINGTON MAIDEN AUCTION STKS 2-Y-O £3,187 5f

HYMN OF HARLECH, b c Welsh Chanter—Church Bay (A. Amlersoni), 8-9 G. Duffield 7-1 1

KING DENZIL, ch c Raritv—Babylon Queen (R. Swift), 8-12 T. Ives 7-4F 2

MENITES, b f Hotfoot—Neni (Mrs H. Cambanis), 8-3 G. Baxter 8-1 3

Also: 5 Dawn Mirage, 9 Nations Fandango (4th), 12 Miami in Spring, *14 Dear Yasmina (6th), Bakers Dough,* Miss Venezuela, 20 Angel Drummer, Diamond Sky, Loft Boy (5th), Paddington Belle, 25 Golden Handcuff, Goldines, 33 Julinen Lad, Bergiers Girl, By Chance. 18 ran. 1½l, sh hd, 1½l, 5l, sh hd. 58·08s. (G. Pritchard-Gordon, Newmarket.) Tote: win, £11·90; places, £3·20, £2·80, £3·80. Dual F'cast: £24·20. SPSF: £22·05. NR: Abba Song.

5.10: WARREN STKS 3-Y-O £7,531 1½m

KING LUTHIER, ch c Lutiner—Lighted Lamp (Fisha Holding), 8-8 J. Mercer 5-1 1

ALMUSHMMIR, b c Ela-Mana-Mou—La Liberte (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) 8-12 W. Carson 9-4 2

INTREPID LAD, ch g Hot Grove—Mountain Rescue (A. J. Rimbley), 8-12 R. Wernham 16-1 3

Also: 7-4F Fire Of Life (4th), 11-2 Imperial Dancer (6th), 16 Manic Free (5th), 33 Gulphar. 7 ran. 5l, 5l, 12l, 2l, 3½l. 2m 44·04s. (J. Dunlop, Arundel.) Tote: Win, £4·80; places, £1·90, £1·80. Dual F'cast: £10·20. SPSF: £15·67.

5.40: KINGSWOOD H'CAP £2,183 6f 9y

DORAME, ch f Music Boy—Petit Trianon (M. Lewendon) 4 7-2 G. Carter 20-1 1

FIGHTING JIMMY, ch c Captain James—Sweet Charlie (K. Hollis) 4 7-10 T. Williams 11-1 2

SHADES OF BLUE, br g Blue Cashmere—Shades Of Glory (Camsdon Consultants Group Ltd) 4 8-2 N. Adams 10-1 3

Also: 4JF Mango Man (4th), Sing Galvo Sing, 9-2 Bold Realm (5th), 10 Java Jive, Tacheron, 16 Sharad (6th), 20 1 Akeed, Captain's Bidd, 25 Seven Clubs, 33 Black Spout, Sitex. 14 ran. Nk, 2l, nk, ¾l, 3l. 1m 12·62s (G. Gaines, Bracknell). Tote: Win, £50·50; places, £6·70, £3·00, £2·30. Dual F'cast: Winner or second with any other, £6·40. SPSF: £204·08. Tricast: £2,111·80. NRs: Ta Morgan, Aboudi.

PLACEPOT: £1,097·60. JACKPOT: not won. Pool of £3,718·25 carried forward to Epsom today.

Pontefract card and riders

HOTSPUR	FORM
2.45—Sil-La-Gay	2.45—Foundry Artist
3.15—Cudgel	3.15—Lady Cara
3.45—Big White Chief	3.45—Meadowbrook
4.15—Cherry Hill	4.15—Cherry Hill
4.45—Skyboot	4.45—Elarim
5.15—Single Bid	5.15—Dragoness
5.45—Nijwa	5.45—Lyric Way

EFFECT OF DRAW: Low numbers best, especially over 5f. Advance official going: GOOD

2.45: BEAST FAIR STAKES 2-Y-O Penalty Value £1,752 5f (10 declared)

2 11 Russells Toy (D), N. Tinkler, 9-5 L. Charnock 7
5 41 Foundry Artist (D), C. Nelson, 9-3 I. Johnson 2
6 1 Sil-la-Gay (D), J. Berry, 9-0 K. Darley 8
7 Eastern Oasis, F. Alston, 8-11 B. Crossley 3
8 Hi-Cosmo, A. W. Jones, 8-11 C. Dwyer 10
9 0 Regal Sam, T. Fairhurst, 8-11 C. Coates (5) 4
10 Sharp Lane, W. O'Gorman, 8-11 T. Ives 9
11 0 Websters Feast (BF), M. McCormack, 8-11 R. Cochrane 5
13 Gunner Gn, Ron Thompson, 8-8 D. Nicholls 6
14 3 Miss Natalie, N. Callaghan, 8-8 A. Roper (7) 1

S.P. FORECAST: 3-2 Foundry Artist, 3 Sil-la-Gay, 9-2 Websters Feast, 5 Sharp Lane, 7 Russells Toy.

3.15: BENTLEY MEMORIAL SELLING HANDICAP £690 6f (18)

1 000-010 Lady Cara (C), J. Berry, 3 9-12 (7lb ex) S. Horsfall (5) 12
2 14040-0 Cudgel (D) P. Rohan, 12 9-10 R. Fahey (7) 15
5 0000-00 Fleet Bay (BL) (D), K. Ivory, 5 9-0 Gay Kelleway (5) 5
6 10000-0 Palletine (BL), D. H. Jones, 4 8-13 R. Cochrane 16
7 30000-0 Walter-Kohring, M. Ryan, 4 8-13 P. Barnard (7) 11
8 4050-0 Sister Racine, T. Fairhurst, 3 8-13 M. Beecroft 4
9 13000-0 Magic Mushroom (D), Denys Smith, 4 8-12 D. Leadbitter (5) 13
11 40000-0 Ming Village (CD), J. Parkes 5 8-9 N. Day 6
12 3300-00 Trade High (D), I. Vickers, 6 8-8 D. Nicholls 7
13 40140-0 Micks Baby (D), B. Richmond, 3 8-6 — 3
14 2 00-000 Balkan, L. Harris, 3 8-5 A. Proud 1
16 00000-4 Decreto, D. Morley, 4 8-4 G. Duffield 9
17 004000- Off Your Mark (CD), G. Calvert, 5 8-4 L. Charnock 10
19 000000- Oconomowoc (BL), W. Guest, 3 8-2 A. Johnson (7) 13
20 0203-00 Firespark (BL) (D), M. Camacho, 6 8-1 J. Lowe 8
21 00-0000 With A Lot (BL), M. Chapman 4 8-1 D. Dineley 2
23 0000-30 Laura's Choice, T. Craig, 4 8-1 N. Connorton 17
25 0 0000-0 Stevala, D. Garraton, 4 8-0 N. Carlisle 14

S.P. FORECAST: 3 Lady Cara, 9-2 Cudgel, 11-2 Trade High, 6 Walter-Kohring, 8 Palletine, Fleet Bay, 10 Magic Mushroom, 12 Laura's Choice, 16 others.

3.45: HEY SOFT DRINKS STAKES £2,958 2m 1f 25y (9)

1 00040-0 Appeal To Me, B. Wilkinson, 5 9-1 Gay Kelleway (5) 4
2 3001-00 Beaker, M. Naughton, 3 9-1 P. Cook 3
3 040000 Conscription, J. Leigh, 3 9-1 R. Cochrane 5
4 134400 Lone Raider, L. Harris, 8 9-1 A. Proud 1
5 Big White Chief, J. P. Smith, 4 8-9 S. Webster 2
6 00412-1 Meadowbrook, I. Balding 4 8-9 J. Matthias 9
7 0030 00- Shepherd's Hymn, T. Bill, 4 8-9 R. Adams (7) 8
9 004000- Tudor Singer, D. Leslie 4 8-9 M. Rimmer 7
11 0000- Lady Sansara, Ron Thompson, 4 8-6 G. Duffield 6

S.P. FORECAST: 11-8 Cherry Hill, 7-2 Art Edict, 9-2 Chief, 9-2 Lone Raider, 6 Conscription, 10 Appeal To Me.

4.15: FRYSTON STAKES £1,970 1½m (18)

1 121-030 Royal Cracker (D), P. Brookshaw, 4 9-7 W. Ryan (3) 8
3 0132-0 Art Edict (D), R. Stubbs, 4 9-4 D. Nicholls 9
4 14100-0 Nonsense, F. Norton, 4 9-4 J. Lowe 15
6 10 L O Broadway, D. Moffatt, 7 9-1 R. P. Elliott 15
8 002154- Strathconon, Miss S. Hall, 4 9-0 K. Hodgson 3
9 00 Balkash, R. Stubbs, 4 8-7 M. Beecroft 18
11 0.00030- Careen, I. Balding, 4 8-7 J. Matthias 4
13 3 4222- Cherry Hill, J. Dunlop 4 8-7 T. Ives 5
14 00 Crushed Ice, D. Dale, 3 8-7 J. Scally (7) 1
15 00 Numerate, R. Fisher, 6 8-7 M. Birch 16
16 40 00- Otrebor, M. Jarvis, 4 8-7 B. Raymond 11
18 0 Prince Of Dawn, D. Chapman 4 8-7 S. P. Griffiths (5) 17
19 Roseman, J. Leigh, 4 8-7 N. Connorton 14
22 00-0 The Clown, M. Naughton, 4 8-7 P. Cook 2
23 0 Baleaze, R. Stone, 4 8-4 C. Dwyer 6
24 Celtic Princess, Mrs M. Rimell, 5 8-4 R. Cochrane 10
25 2428-03 Fishpond, R. Holder, 4 8-4 G. Duffield 12
26 0 Lovely Butterfly, M. Lambert, 4 8-4 D. Oldham 7

S.P. FORECAST: 11-8 Cherry Hill, 7-2 Art Edict, 9-2 Royal Cracker, 6 Nonsense, 8 L O Broadway, 9 Careen.

4.45: HARDWICK HANDICAP £2,292 1m (25)

1 10300-0 Singing Boy (D), A. Hide, 4 9-10 R. Sidebottom 15
2 00000-0 Rapid Lad (D), J. Spearing, 7 9-10 D. Nicholls 23
4 44200-0 Sidab, W. Musson, 5 9-8 P. Gunn 10
6 0100-00 Couture Leg Affair, R. Woodhouse, 4 9-8 K. Darley 3
7 101104- Elarim (D), T. Fairhurst, 6 9-7 C. Coates (5) 17
8 2/2030-2 Hello Gypsy, C. Tinkler, 4 9-7 M. Wood 4
9 1120-04 Skyboot (D), E. Carter, 6 9-7 Wendy Carter (7) 8
11 302400- Top O'Th'Lane, N. Bycroft, 8 9-3 S. Perks 22
12 040000- Knights Secret, M. H. Easterby, 4 9-2 M. Birch 20
13 30103-0 Donnysnookercentre, E. Weymes, 4 9-2 E. Guest (5) 6
15 002200- Pubby, J. Toller, 4 9-1 R. Cochrane 25
16 202030- Barpouzine, M. Hinchcliffe, 4 9-1 R. Lines (3) 14
17 00/00-32 Cradle Of Jazz, J. Old, 5 9-0 P. Cook 19
18 035304- Warplane, C. Thornton, 5 9-0 J. Bleasdale 1
20 0000-01 Star Event (D), J. Etherington, 4 8-12, (7lb ex) G. Duffield 21
22 003-013 Bandoro (BL) (D) (BF), J. Mulhall, 6 8-10 A. Proud 11
23 253400- Roy Sandford (D), J. Mackie, 6 8-10 N. Carlisle 2
24 204020- Smart Mart, M. Camacho, 6 8-9 N. Connorton 7
25 000-000 Carol's Music, M. Brittain, 4 8-9 B. Coogan 9
27 22003-0 Lemelasor, D. H. Jones, 5 8-8 D. J. Williams (7) 5
29 040-0 Hawaiian Love, J. Ciechanowski, 4 8-6 R. Street 18
31 000F-00 Late Hour, R. Hollinshead, 6 8-4 W. Ryan (3) 12
32 30/021-0 Ferrero Rocher, T. Craig, 4 8-3 — 13
34 000000- Coley (D), Denys Smith, 6 8-0 M. Fry 24
36 002030- Royal Export, W. C. Watts, 5 7-13 S. P. Griffiths (5) 16

Ferrero Rocher non-runner, states trainer

S.P. FORECAST: 4 Star Event, 5 Elarim, 11-2 Skyboot, 6 Donnysnookercentre, 8 Hello Gypsy, Cradle Of Jazz, 10 Bandoro, 12 Sidab, 14 Couture Leg Affair, 16 others.

5.15: WAKEFIELD MAIDEN STAKES (Div. I) 3-Y-O £798 6f (17)

3 000-0 Fast Dealer, P. Rohan, 9-0 ... C. Dwyer 5
5 000- Minder's Mea, W. Pearce, 9-0 N. Connorton 10
10 Singing Bid, J. Ciechanowski, 9-0 R. Boucher (7) 11
14 0440- Absanne, J. Etherington, 8-11 ... M. Wood 2
16 00-0 Azuline, M. Tompkins, 8-11 R. Curant 15
18 4- Dragoness, P. Welwyn, 8-11 G. Duffield 9
19 24422-0 Elegant Port, T. Fairhurst, 8-11 C. Coates (5) 14
22 04230- Frisco, C. Thornton, 8-11 ... J. Bleasdale 16
29 00 Martella, M. Brittain, 8-11 ... B. Coogan 7
33 00- Mr Kan, F. Carr, 8-11 ... N. Carlisle 8
36 0040- Pentoff, D. Chapman, 8-11 D. Nicholls 4
38 0300-0 Pleasant Ways, A. Balding, 8-11 J. Balding 12
39 0000- Qualitairess, K. Stone, 8-11 ... — 8
44 4- Sailor's Song, N. Vigors, 8-11 ... P. Cook 3
45 Saint Luce, M. McCormack, 8-11 R. Cochrane 13
47 040-0 Single Bid, I. Balding, 8-11 J. Matthias 17
48 0-0 Summer Fayre, B. Hobbs, 8-11 A. Barclay 1

S.P. FORECAST: 3 Dragoness, 7-2 Single Bid, 4 Sailor's Song, 5 Elegant Port, 8 Frisco, Summer Fayre, 10 Absanne.

5.45: WAKEFIELD MAIDEN STAKES (Div. II) 3-Y-O £798 6f (17)

1 00- Cabanax, E. Weymes, 9-0 ... E. Guest (5) 4
4 302234- Lyric Way, B. Hills, 9-0 ... R. Hills 9
8 04- Royaume, M. Hinchliffe, 9-0 ... P. Cook 7
12 0 Trip Hammer, M. Jarvis, 9-0 B. Raymond 17
13 000000- Turffontein, W. Guest, 9-0 R. Cochrane 8
15 0440- Absurd, Miss S. Hall, 8-11 K. Hodgson 16
17 0- Circassia, J. Hindley, 8-11 A. Shoults (5) 11
20 0- Eucharis, A. Hide, 8-11 ... P. Brette (7) 14
21 Friendly Bee, J. Glover, 8-11 D. McKeown 5
25 Lochmaiben, M. H. Easterby, 8-11 M. Birch 13
28 004- Mark Slaney, G. Calvert, 8-11 C. Steers (7) 2
30 Martina's Magic, W. Musson, 8-11 R. Sidebottom 6
34 2 Nijwa, I. Balding, 8-11 ... J. Matthias 15
35 000000- Octillion, R. Fisher, 8-11 ... D. Nicholls 10
37 20-0 Phamond, N. Callaghan, 8-11 A. Roper (7) 1
41 0- Remainder Tip, D. Leslie, 8-11 M. Rimmer 5
45 404- Run In Hand, L. W. Watts, 8-11 T. Ives 12

S.P. FORECAST: Evens Nijwa, 4 Lyric Way, 5 Circassia, 6 Trip Hammer, 8 Phamond, 12 Run In Hand, 16 others.

TODAY'S WORCESTER FIELDS

HOTSPUR	FORM
2.15—Lislary Lad	2.15—Brollin
2.45—Grey Dolphin	2.45—Bickleigh Bridge
3.15—Infielder	3.15—Star Charter
3.45—City Boy	3.45—City Boy
4.15—Should Never Be	4.15—Paulatim
4.45—Comedian	4.45—John's Present
5.15—Deep And Even	5.15—Our Endeavour
5.45—Hasty Gamble	5.45—Hasty Gamble

Advance official going: FIRM

2.15: HIMBLETON NOVICES' HURDLE (Div. I) Penalty Value £935 2½m (25 declared)

2 100 Brollin, 5 11-9 ... R. de Haan
3 000 King Burn (CD), 6 11-9 ... W. Knox (7)
5 31P Maranzi (D), 7 11-4 ... W. Hayes (7)
6 104 Rueful Lady (D), 6 11-4 ... J. Nolan
7 00 Silent Surrender, 5 11-4 ... S. Smith Eccles
11 F00 Barnes, 5 11-2 ... K. Frost (7)
17 0PF Davidstown, 7 11-2 ... P. Scudamore
21 Glenholme, 5 11-2 ... A. Hulburd (7)
22 000 Gold Warbler, 5 11-2 ...
26 002 Lislary Lad, 5 11-2 ... S. Morshead
32 0P0 Prince Vidar, 6 11-2 ... P. Holley (7)
35 00 Rocky Park, 6 11-2 ... J. Duggan
37 0P0 Tarsille (BL), 7 11-2 ... P. Barton
38 221 Taylorstown, 5 11-9 ... J. O'Neill
42 430 The Shiner, 5 11-2 ... C. Smith
43 U00 Topbalter, 5 11-2 ... C. Grey
46 Bit Of Space, 5 10-11 ...
47 0P0 Roll Hole, 6 10-11 ... B. Wright
49 000 Celtic Burn (BL), 5 10-11 ... R. Dunwoody
51 000 Clair Soleil, 5 10-11 ... R. Dickin
53 FU0 Crusty Pie (BL), 7 10-11 ...
57 00-0 Maybe Maisey (BL), 6 10-11 ... P. Dever
58 0F0 Mo Storeen (BL), 5 10-11 ... L. Bloomfield (4)
60 P00 Thistle Blue, 5 10-11 ... R. Hoare
63 00 Board The Train, 4 10-9 ... P. Warner

Crusty Pie non-runner, states trainer.

S.P. FORECAST: 15-8 Taylorstown, 7-2 Brollin, 5 Lislary Lad, 6 The Shiner, 8 Gold Warbler, 10 King Burn.

2.45: NEWLAND HANDICAP 'CHASE £1,515 2m (12)

1 315 Grey Dolphin (BL) (CD) (BF), 10 11-12 G. Davies
2 040 Rageian (BL) (D), 8 11-11 ... J. O'Neill
3 202 Fire Drill (CD), 10 11-5 ... P. Richards
4 13F Lucyfar (D), 9 11-4 ... S. Smith Eccles
10 412 Bickleigh Bridge (D) (BF), 11 10-7 W. Knox (7)
13 22F North Yard (CD), 9 10-4 ... Philip Hobbs
16 PP0 Slowell Grove (D), 8 10-1 ... P. Scudamore
18 302 Tudor Road (CD), 10 10-0 ... B. Powell
21 00P Vale Challenge (D), 11 10-0 ... P. Dever
23 004 Beau Vite (CD), 10 10-0 ... J. Burke
25 FP0 Colonel Curtis (BL), 6 10-0 ... S. McNeill
26 PPF Kamachow, 9 10-0 ... Mr C. Bridgett

S.P. FORECAST: 3 Tudor Road, 7-2 Bickleigh Bridge, 4 Rageian, 6 Grey Dolphin, 8 Lucyfar, 10 Fire Drill, 12 North Yard, 14 others.

3.15: BRAINGE HANDICAP HURDLE £3,002 2½m (23)

1 434 Infielder, 6 11-10 ... J. Duggan
5 210 Star Charter (CD), 5 11-4 ... J. O'Neill
7 000 Sausage (BL) (D), 5 11-3 ... B. Powell
9 000 Gambling Prince (D), 12 11-0 ... J. Burke
10 000 Mister Pitt (BL) (C) (D), 6 10-11 P. Corrigan (7)
11 0F1 Klairose, 6 10-11 (4lb ex.) ... T. Wall
14 043 Brave Jack, 4 10-8 ... S. Morshead
15 034 Hoorah Henry, 5 10-8 ... P. Scudamore
16 11-0 Light Traveller, 5 10-7 ... A. Stringer
20 302 Cawarra Lad, 6 10-4 ... P. A. Farrell (7)
25 0P0 Fortune Cookie, 13 10-1 ... N. Hunter (7)
26 311 Mauleudor (CD), 5 10-1 ... Mr R. J. Beggan
27 00P Celtic Story (D), 5 10-0 ...
28 025 Morvern, 6 10-0 ... F. Leavy
29 423 Mountain Man (D) (BF), 9 10-0 ... C. Jones
30 000 Bleathwood, 9 10-0 ... P. Finch (7)
31 00P City Link Express, 8 10-0 ... R. Strahl (4)
33 04P Party Miss, 10 10-0 ... R. Dunwoody
41 P00 Republican, 7 10-0 ... K. Mooney
44 040 Ray Prosser, 9 10-0 ... Jessica Wallace
50 030 Beau Wynk (C) (D), 12 10-0 ... Miss D. Ives (7)
51 PRP- Luxuriate, 8 10-0 ... B. Wright
53 000 Jaqalek, 9 10-0 ... A. O'Hagan

Celtic Story non-runner, states trainer.

S.P. FORECAST: 7-2 Star Charter, 4 Infielder, 9-2 Sausage, 6 Mauleudor, 8 Mountain Man, Klairose, 10 Brave Jack, 12 Hoorah Henry, 14 others.

3.45: RMC GROUP NOVICES' HUNTERS' 'CHASE (Amateur Riders) £1,591 3m (20)

2 211 City Boy (D), 10 12-7 ... T. Thomson Jones
3 1 Flash Deal, 8 12-7 ... Miss A. Beaumont (7)
10 P0 Adonis Blue, 8 12-0 ... A. Hill (7)
12 0-5 Bachelor Lad, 10 12-0 ... M. Price (7)
13 0U4 Brolier Boy, 10 12-0 ... B. Dowling (7)
14 035- Campello Boy, 10 12-0 ... R. Greenway (4)
17 U0P Charley Cheek, 9 12-0 ... R. Brotherston (7)
18 0PU- Cuckoo Mill, 6 12-0 ...
20 Demi Cheval, 7 12-0 ... A. J. Wilson
21 0-02 Duke Of Saraguay, 11 12-0 ... S. Cowley (7)
23 Good Memories, 11 12-0 ... S. Clarke (7)
24 0 P2 Handy Mark, 10 12-0 ... P. Eckley (7)
26 4P-F Just A Ghost, 9 12-0 ... Miss S. French (7)
30 P49 Poleroe, 8 12-0 ... C. Shaston (7)
35 Sam's Drake, 8 12-0 ...
35 PF-P Severn Mint, 10 12-0 ... Mr Bosley (7)
37 0-PF Swanly, 10 12-0 ... T. Ilsley (7)
38 0-1 Tal, 8 12-0 ...
40 P0 Willing's Midas, 6 12-0 ... P. Hackling (7)
47 00F Trident Missile, 6 11-9 ...

Sams Drake non-runner, states trainer.

S.P. FORECAST: 6-4 City Boy, 11-4 Flash Deal, 9-2 Trident Missile, 7 Duke Of Saraguay, 12 Campello Boy.

4.15: HIMBLETON NOVICES' HURDLE (Div. II) £937 2½m (25)

1 013 Cudar (C), 7 11-9 ... P. Croucher (4)
3 413 Paulatim, 5 11-9 ... S. Smith Eccles
5 320 Richel's Delight, 6 11-4 ... G. Williams (4)
11 PF0 Courtiers Way, 5 11-2 ... Mr R. J. Beggan
13 004 Fuego Boy, 5 11-2 ... H. Davies
22 000 Jon Piper, 7 11-2 ... T. Wall
23 PF0 Kalkus, 6 11-2 ... C. Cox (7)
24 F0P Karamsen (BL), 7 11-2 ... Steve Knight
25 032 Midnight Madness, 7 11-2 ... L. Bloomfield (4)
27 0-0 Mitre House, 5 11-2 ... J. D. Doyle
31 00P Pennett Lad, 6 11-2 ... S. Morshead
34 004 Sansho, 5 11-2 ... P. Dever
35 P Scaldara, 5 11-2 ... M. Williams
37 Solar Grass, 10 11-2 ... S. May
39 000 Troop The Colour, 5 10-2 ... P. Scudamore
43 0 Balerum, 6 10-11 ... A. Webb
45 0- Cherry Merello, 6 10-11 ... —
46 0 Frodara, 9 10-11 ... P. Warner
47 0 Fleur-de-Mai, 5 10-11 ... Mr M. Darby
48 034 Hopeful Chimes, 6 10-11 ... R. Dickin
50 RP4 Leliway, 5 10-11 ... G. Davies
51 24- Lichen Green, 7 10-11 ... B. Powell
53 033 Sally Slee, 9 10-11 ... J. Burke
57 041 Should Never Be, 4 11-2 ... J. O'Neill
58 200 Celtic Dipper (BL), 4 10-4 ... C. Smith

S.P. FORECAST: 5-2 Should Never Be, 100-30 Paulatim, 9-2 Richel's Delight, 6 Fuego Boy, 8 Courtier's Way, 10 Midnight Madness, Cudar, 16 others.

4.45: STOURPORT HANDICAP 'CHASE £2,091 2½m (20)

1 313 Nickle Moppett (C) (D), 8 11-13 ... G. Mernagh
2 P1-P Wilton Favell, 8 11-12 ... D. Browne
4 26U Blazing Wind (D), 9 11-9 ... S. Morshead
7 010 Johns Present (BF), 7 11-5 (5lb ex) P. Richards
9 P3 Meladon, 12 10-12 ... D. Carcery (7)
14 253 Comedian (PF), 7 10-11 ... P. Scudamore
17 430 Waxtum Marauder, 9 10-9 ... S. Moore
22 34F Cloneen King (BF), 10 10-2 ... —
25 P3-P Vincro, 8 10-1 ... Mr M. Price (7)
27 F33 Sir Badsworth, 7 10-0 ... M. Brisbourne (7)
28 003 Loriot, 8 10-0 ... R. Kington
30 423 Perdyan, 10 10-0 ... S. J. O'Neill
31 084 Torfshir (BL) (D), 7 10-0 ... K. Mooney
32 040 Little Trouble (C), 9 10-0 ... R. Hyett
33 Cherry Opal, 7 10-0 ... A. Sharpe
34 320 Glen-Lock, 10 10-0 ... Peter Hobbs
36 0P4 Stan's Pet, 7 10-0 ... —
37 00J Shesta, 8 10-0 ... S. Shilston
40 FFP Rettok, 8 10-0 ... J. Suthern
41 0-00 Fifth Column, 7 10-0 ... J. Burke

Cloneen King non-runner, states trainer

S.P. FORECAST: 2 John's Present, 7-2 Blazing Wind, 9-2 Nickle Moppett, 11-2 Comedian, 8 Perdyan.

5.15: BOURNE LEISURE GROUP N H FLAT RACE (Div. I) £851 2m (26)

2 Abershaw, 5 11-6 ... P. Finch (7)
4 Carramore Outlaw, 6 11-6 ... T. Pinfield (7)
9 Deep And Even, 5 11-6 ... T. Gibson (7)
10 Druimbhreac, 5 11-6 ... Mr T. Edwards (7)
11 Flying Branch, 5 11-6 ... A. Jones (4)
13 4-0 Freshman, 6 11-6 ... Mr D. Plummer (7)
14 0 Get Going Fred, 6 11-6 ... A. Charlton (7)
17 0 Holemoor Patrol, 5 11-6 ... D. Mustow (7)
23 Nearbridge, 5 11-6 ... Mr G. Maundrell (7)
28 Sam's Neighbour, 5 11-6 ... M. Muggeridge (7)
34 0 Ironside Fella, 5 11-6 ... T. Woolley (7)
37 Amber Marsh, 5 11-1 ... M. Caswell (4)
39 Bit Of Space, 5 11-1 ... Mr P. Eckley (7)
47 0 Mighty Member, 6 11-1 ... Miss M. Leonard (7)
50 &P Pamela Would, 5 11-1 ... Celia Radband (7)
53 Rosemoky Light, 5 11-1 ... W. Hayes (7)
57 2 Alice's Boy, 4 11-0 ... C. Cowley (7)
61 Celtic Spring, 4 11-0 ... W. Simpson (7)
67 Digby Drive, 4 11-0 ... Mrs D. Taskarbianos
74 0 Le Plat d'Or, 4 11-0 ... Mr S. Whitaker (7)
80 0 Our Endeavour, 4 11-0 ... C. Cox (7)
82 Private Views, 4 11-0 ... A. Adams (7)
83 Space Kate, 4 11-0 ... L. Jenkins (7)
93 00 Loud As Day, 4 10-9 ... Miss M. Ranger (7)
100 Melodic Spirit, 4 10-9 ... A. L. Taylor (7)
102 0 Miss Topcin, 4 10-9 ... Mr A. J. Wilson

S.P. FORECAST: 11-4 Private Views, 100-30 Deep And Even, 4 Alice's Boy, 6 Holemoor, 8 Abershaw, 10 Our Endeavour, 12 Mighty Member, 14 others.

5.45: BOURNE LEISURE GROUP N H FLAT RACE (Div. II) £831 2m (26)

1 12 Hasty Gamble (D), 5 11-13 ... Mr C. Brooks (7)
7 Co Chance, 5 11-6 ... Mr N. Oliver (4)
8 Collesbury Lad, 5 11-6 ... —
18 Houndtoul, 5 11-6 ... Mr T. Edwards (7)
22 Monte Waller, 6 11-6 ... Mr R. Mann (4)
29 4-0 Siberian Dancer, 5 11-6 ... T. Woolley (7)
33 Tors Hill Lad, 5 11-6 ... C. Davies (7)
38 Baltic Call, 5 11-1 ... T. Bathe (7)
42 Golden Grain, 5 11-1 ... Mr F. Bailey (7)
44 0 Kobey Bay, 6 11-1 ... Mr N. Oliver (4)
48 Miss Floral Centre, 5 11-1 ... Mr J. Hill (7)
55 Sailors Pride, 5 11-1 ... —
57 0 Scaldino, 6 11-1 ... Miss V. Williams (7)
58 000 Trick Answer, 5 11-1 ... Mr M. Armytage (7)
62 0 Contel Lad, 4 11-0 ... A. Jones (4)
64 Deep Dash, 4 11-0 ... Mrs D. Henderson
67 Great Testwood, 4 11-0 ... Mr S. Cowley (7)
81 Parky Pete, 4 11-0 ... Mr J. Cambidge (4)
83 00 Quick Fencer, 4 11-0 ... M. Jenkins (7)
87 0 Running Arrow, 4 11-0 ... Ruth Hargreaves (7)
92 Again Kathleen, 4 10-9 ... —
95 Celtic Cloud, 4 10-9 ... Miss A. Dare (7)
103 0 Ollys-Fiddle, 4 10-9 ... W. Know (7)
104 Only Trouble, 4 10-9 ... Mr T. Houlbrooke (7)
105 Ruths Love, 4 10-9 ... G. Evans (7)
110 Turn Mill, 4 10-9 ... —

S.P. FORECAST: 7-4 Hasty Gamble, 4 Deep Dash, 11-2 Siberian Dancer, 7 Tors Hill Lad, 8 Again Kathleen.

Epsom runners, riders and form guide

EFFECT OF DRAW: Low numbers best up to 8½f
Advance Official Going: GOOD

2.0 (Jackpot Prefix 1): HYDE PARK MAIDEN STAKES 2-Y-O *Penalty Value £1,618 5f (8 declared)*

1 BE POSITIVE (A. Spence), J. Berry, 9-0 ... W. Carson 5
2 BLUE GROUND (H. Joel), A. Ingham, 9-0 ... G. Starkey 8
3 2 CRONK'S QUALITY (Cronk Garages Ltd), Mrs S. Swift, 9-0 J. Reid 3
5 0 FORMIDABLE GEORGE (G. Steinberg), K. Ivory, 9-0 M. Wigham 1
6 HARRY SCOTT (Mrs S. Al-Malla), R. Simpson, 9-0 K. Radcliffe (7) 7
7 SANDRON (F. Starr), B. Stevens, 9-0 ... D. McKay 2
8 3 SITZCARRALDO (BF) (P. Davies), R. Hannon, 9-0 P. Eddery 6
11 0 POSITIVE APPROACH (Mrs G. Smith), R. Smyth, 8-11 B. Rouse 4

S.P. FORECAST: 5-4 Cronk's Quality, 7-2 Be Positive, 4 Sitzcarraldo, 6 Blue Grand, Harry Scott, 14 others.

1984: Silent Flutter 9-0 P. Eddery 4-7F Mrs C. Reavey. 5 ran.

CRONK'S QUALITY is preferred to Sitzcarraldo

TV (CHANNEL 4) RACES: 2.35, 3.5, 3.35 and 4.10

2.35 (Prefix 2): GREAT METROPOLITAN HANDICAP £4,051 1½m (14)

1 411/0-4 CORINTH (G. Strawbridge), I. Balding, 4 10-0 ... P. Eddery 11
2 2312- RUSSIAN NOBLE (Sheikh Mohammed), M. Stoute, 4 9-9 W. R. Swinburn 12
3 32120-0 LIBRATE (CD) (S. Malles), J. Bradley, 4 9-6 ... P. Waldron 10
4 14000-0 TRAPEZE ARTIST (Introgroup Holding Ltd), N. Vigors, 4 9-5 J. Reid 4
6 311023- ROSTOVA (W. Gredley), C. Brittain, 4 9-2 ... S. Cauthen 1
7 03040-0 MOON JESTER (D) (T. Marshall), M. Usher, 5 8-13 D. McKay 5
8 614-113 PERCASE (BL) (D) (P. Locke), P. Cundell, 6 8-13 (5lb ex) N. Adams (5) 14
10 40351- IN THE SHADE (D) (C. Harper), D. Elsworth, 4 8-9 B. Rouse 6
11 202024- QUICKSTEP (M. Pipe), M. Pipe, 4 8-7 ... L. Piggott 9
12 23000-0 SUGAR PALM (BL) (D. Goldstein), R. Hannon, 4 8-4 L. Jones (7) 7
14 300-050 WIDD (L) (T. Mills), D. Mills, 8 8-2 ... E. Johnson 8
15 2140/0-4 JANUS (CD) (BF) (K. Little), Mrs N. Smith, 7 8-2 T. Williams (3) 13
17 34300-1 ROYAL CRAFTSMAN (D) (M. Ingram), Mrs N. Smith, 4 7-8 (5lb ex) ... D. Brown (7) 3
18 000004- SPARKLER SPIRIT (Sparkler Filters Great Britain Ltd), A. Pitt, 4 7-7 ... M. L. Thomas 5

S.P. FORECAST: 5 Quickstep, 6 Percase, 7 Russian Noble, Rostova, 8 Moon Jester, Royal Craftsman, 10 Corinth, Janus, 12 Sugar Palm, 14 In The Shade, Trapeze Artist, 16 others.

1984 (2¼m): Cheka 8 8-0 E. Johnson 11-2JF I. Balding. 13 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Corinth was beaten 13l when 4th to Lobkowiez (rec 24lb) at Kempton (1½m) April 12 with Moon Jester (rec 15lb) 3l away 6th, Librate (rec 8lb) and Trapeze Artist (rec 9lb) out of first 9 of 14 (heavy). Royal Craftsman beat Biddable (rec 11lb) by hd at Brighton (1½m) April 11 with Sugar Palm (gave 8lb) 2¾l away 6th (good to soft). Percase was beaten 2½l when 3rd to Camden Lock (rec 25lb) at Thirsk (1½m) April 20 (good to soft). Janus was beaten 9l when 4th to Southern Dynasty (rec 8lb) at Folkestone (1½m) April 15 (soft). Russian Noble was beaten sh hd by Cassandra (rec 7lb) at York (1½m) Sept 5 (good). Rostova was beaten 6l when 3rd to Old Hubert (rec 9lb) at Newbury (1m 5f 60y) Oct 25 (heavy). Quickstep was beaten 5¾l when 4th to Kingswick (gave 5lb) at Newmarket (1½m) Oct 19 (good).

PERCASE may beat Russian Noble

3.5 (Prefix 3): RACAL-VODAPHONE BLUE RIBAND TRIAL STAKES 3-Y-O £23,940 1m 110y (8)

1 11- CONCORDE AFFAIR (Mrs Ty Scheumann), H. Cecil, 8-9 Paul Eddery 2
2 23610-0 KENTUCKY QUEST (BL) (C) (Mrs B. Davies), R. Hannon, 8-9 G. Starkey 5
3 1112- KHOZAAM (Hamdan Al-Maktoum), P. Walwyn, 8-9 J. Mercer 8
5 3221- LIGHTNING DEALER (N. Mundell), P. Kelleway, 8-9 P. Eddery 4
6 01- LORD GRUNDY (Sheikh Mohammed), M. Stoute, 8-0 W. R. Swinburn 1
8 3134- MIDDLESEX (R. Anderson), B. Hills, 8-9 ... M. Hills 6
9 12- PRESIDIUM (Lord H. de Walden), H. Cecil, 8-9 S. Cauthen 7
12 00113-0 TICKLY BENDER (Farthing Co Ltd), R. Armstrong, 8-9 L. Piggott 3

S.P. FORECAST: 15-8 Presidium, 9-4 Khozaam, 7-2 Lord Grundy, 6 Concorde Affair, 10 Tickly Bender, 14 Middlesex, 16 Lightning Dealer, 25 Kentucky Quest.

1984: Lous Pond 8-6 G. Duffield 14-1 P. Kelleway. 11 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Kentucky Quest was beaten more than 7l when last of 7 to Severn Bore (rec 6lb) at Kempton (1m) April 6 (good to soft). Concorde Affair beat Impressive Reward (rec 12lb) by 5l at Pontefract (1m) Oct 15 (good to soft). Lord Grundy beat Cadmium (level) by ¾l at Sandown (1m) Oct 15 (good to soft). Presidium was beaten 1½l by Local Suitor (level) at Newbury (6f) Sept 22 (good). Khozaam was beaten hd by Reach (level) at Ascot (1m) Sept 29 (good). Lightning Dealer beat Double Benz (level) by 2½l at Ayr (1m) Sept 19 (good to soft).

PRESIDIUM best on form. Khozaam danger.

3.35 (Prefix 4): MINORU HANDICAP £3,028 5f (15)

1 3140-34 AMIGO LOCO (BL) (D) (J. Li), K. Brassey, 4 10-0 S. Whitworth (3) 1
4 0800-00 SINGING SAILOR (D) (Introgroup Holdings Ltd), R. Hannon, 6 9-9 ... L. Piggott 3
5 03000-0 CLANTIME (CD) (Clantime Ltd), J. Berry, 4 9-7 ... P. Eddery 8
6 210000- LITTLE STARCHY (CD) (J. Fletcher), G. Gracey, 7 9-5 R. Fox 5
7 010000- MY LOUIE (D) (T. Mills), A. Ingham, 4 9-2 ... G. Starkey 11
8 000250- BRI-EDEN (CD) (G. Robinson), J. Berry, 11 9-2 ... W. Carson 9
9 34000-0 DARING DISPLAY (D) (Ld McAlpine), R. Smyth, 4 8-12 S. Cauthen 4
10 204100- BARNET HEIR (CD) (R. Walton), Mrs S. Swift, 7 8-7 J. Adams (7) 12
11 0000-00 SCHULA (D) (J. Graves), H. O'Neill, 5 8-1 ... S. Dawson (3) 2
12 13004-0 RAPID MISS (D) (D. Cooper), Mrs N. Macauley, 5 8-0 A. Mackay 10
13 403-304 CAMPS HEATH (A. Whiteside), F. Durr, 4 7-12 ... — 7
14 3100-31 MUSIC MACHINE (D. Thompson), P. Haslam, 4 7-10 T. Williams (3) 13
15 000/00-4 WINDY LAD (Mrs P. Hughes), D. Wilson, 6 7-7 C. Rutter (5) 6

S.P. FORECAST: 9-2 Music Machine, 5 Bri-Eden, 6 Amigo Loco, 7 Camps Heath, 8 Daring Display, Clantime, 10 Singing Sailor, My Louie, 12 Little Starchy, 14 others.

1984: Spark Chief 5 9-3 P. Eddery 7-2F F. Durr. 11 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Music Machine beat Eastbrook (rec 14lb) by 1l at Ripon (6f) April 17 (soft). *Amigo Loco was beaten 7¼l* when 4th to Chapel Cottage (rec 10lb) at Thirsk (6f) April 20 (good to soft). Camps Heath was beaten 4¾l when 4th to Chaplins Club (rec 1lb) at Beverley (5f) April 12 (heavy). Bri-Eden was beaten 7¾l when 5th of 6 to Jonacris (gave 17lb) at Newcastle (5f) July 28 (good to firm). *Clantime was beaten 9l when 7th of 8* to Ardrox Lad (level) at Haydock (5f) April 3 (soft).

AMIGO LOCO may give the weight to Camps Heath

4.10 (Prefix 5): RACAL ELECTRONICS HANDICAP 3-Y-O Fillies £3,869 1m 110y (12)

1 312120- SHUROOQ (Hamdan Al-Maktoum), Thomson Jones, 9-7 A. Murray 11
3 002134- BEVERIDGE (Hesmonds Stud), J. Dunlop, 9-2 ... W. Carson 8
4 01- SOJOURN (R. Sangster), M. Stoute, 8-13 ... W. R. Swinburn 9
5 20130- AXIOM (Mrs J. de Rothschild), B. Hobbs, 8-12 ... G. Baxter 7
6 24120-0 ENGLISH SPRING (BF) (P. Mellon), I. Balding, 8-11 P. Eddery 4
7 034- DONA BRAGANZA (Mrs S. Gredley), R. Armstrong, 8-6 P. Robinson 5
8 0-1 LADY EUROLINK (Eurolink Computer Services Ltd), P. Mitchell, 8-3 ... A. McGlone 2
9 000- KUWAITIAH (Sheik Fahad), J. Sutcliffe, 8-2 ... Paul Eddery 6
10 04030- DOMYNGA (Mrs C. Beath), J. Bethell, 8-0 S. Whitworth (3) 12
11 0020-0 MISS MONROE (C. Frewin), R. Hannon, 8-0 ... B. Rouse 1
12 0020- CRYSTAL CREAM (B. Coates), P. Walwyn, 8-0 ... N. Howe 10
13 400- REGENT'S FAWN (Sheikh Mohammed), B. Hills, 7-10 R. Fox 3

S.P. FORECAST: 11-4 Sojourn, 7-2 Axiom, 4 Shurooq, 6 Beveridge, 8 Dona Braganza, 10 English Spring, 12 Lady Eurolink, 14 Crystal Cream, 16 others.

1984 (April H'cap): Seattle Rose 9-2 J. Mercer 8-1 P. Walwyn. 9 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Lady Eurolink beat Nasreen's Pet (level) by ¾l at Leicester (1m) March 26 (heavy). English Spring was beaten 15½l, when 6th of 8 to Gundreda (rec 3lb) at Nottingham (1¼m) April 1 (soft). Beveridge was beaten 4¼l when 4th to Madam Mo (rec 10lb) at Doncaster (7f) Oct 27 (good to soft). Sojourn beat Paris Match (gave 3lb) by nk at Redcar (7f) Oct 16 (good to firm). Axiom was 13th of 16 to Bollin Knight (gave 8lb) at Doncaster (7f) Nov 10 (soft). Shurooq was beaten 9½l when 6th to Avec Coeur (rec 16lb) at Brighton (1m) Oct 8 (soft).

SOJOURN is preferred to Shurooq

4.40 (Prefix 6): PRINCES' STAND HANDICAP 3-Y-O £5,174 7f 11y (17)

1 4301-13 OUR JOCK (Ld McAlpine), R. Smyth, 9-13 (6lb ex) G. Starkey 10
2 0130-3 STAR FORMATION (Sheikh Mohammed), J. Ciechanowski, 9-1 J. Mercer 7
4 010200- AMBIT (T. Ramsden), A. Bailey, 9-0 ... A. Bond 8
5 3000-04 THE UPSTART (Bison Club), K. Brassey, 8-12 S. Whitworth (3) 12
6 021-00 EDDIE ZIP (A. Smith), J. Sutcliffe, 8-11 ... B. Thomson 14
7 42110-0 SILENT TREAT (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed), J. Dunlop, 8-11 W. Carson 5
8 2004-25 HONEYMAN (BL) (BF) (Mrs J. Nicolaides), C. Brittain, 8-11 P. Robinson 15
11 02310-2 TAJ SINGH (A. Wilkinson), M. Blanshard, 8-9 ... N. Adams (5) 3
12 033- DARING WAY (R. Sangster), M. Stoute, 8-9 W. R. Swinburn 17
13 14000-4 WESTERHAM (Ardua Restaurants Ltd), R. Akehurst, 8-8 J. Reid 13
14 334- INDIAN HAL (Mrs R. Waters), P. Walwyn, 8-5 ... P. Eddery 9
15 0041-0 HOLYPORT VICTORY (Holyport Bloodstock Ltd), M. Usher, 8-5 M. Wigham 16
17 0-40004 DESCHAMPS EXPRESS (Deschamps Thoroughbred Ltd), P. Mitchell, 8-2 ... A. McGlone 6
18 00000-0 ONE WAY TICKET (Britannic Shipping Services Ltd), A. Pitt, 8-1 ... B. Rouse 4
19 02043- AYSHIRE LASS (Greenland Park Ltd), I. Balding, 8-1 E. Johnson 2
20 0440-40 EDWIN'S PRINCESS (C) (BF) (V. Randell), K. Ivory, 8-0 R. Fox 1
22 000- GILDERDALE (Avon Industries Ltd), N. Vigors, 7-7 S. Dawson (3) 11

S.P. FORECAST: 4 Silent Treat, 5 Daring Way, 11-2 Honeyman, 7 Our Jock, 8 Star Formation, 9 The Upstart, 10 Indian Hal, 12 Edwin's Princess, Westerham, 14 others.

1984 (Evelyn H'cap): Bobby Dazzler 9-4 J. Reid 12-1 D. Laing. 9 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Taj Singh was beaten 2l by Sand Iron (gave 5lb) at Lingfield (7f 140y) April 10 (heavy). Star Formation was beaten 3¾l when 3rd to Castle Tweed (gave 2lb) at Brighton (1m) April 11 with Westerham (rec 7lb) ¼l away 4th and Silent Treat (rec 4lb) more than another 2l away 7th (good to soft). Honeyman was beaten 2l when 3rd to Great Ten (rec 5lb) at Salisbury (1m) April 13 with The Upstart (rec 2lb) 5l away 4th (heavy). Daring Way was beaten 1l when 3rd to Classic Capistrano (gave 3lb) at Nottingham (6f) Sept 10 (firm). Our Jock was beaten sh hd and same when 3rd to Kiseritsky (gave 1lb) at Newmarket (6f) April 18 with Eddie Zip (rec 16lb) 3¼l away 5th (good).

OUR JOCK may give the weight to Taj Singh

5.10: BANSTEAD MAIDEN STAKES 3-Y-O £1,370 7f 11y (18)

1 02 ABSOLUTE BOUNDER (J. Davis), R. Hannon, 9-0 P. Eddery 12
2 2- AL-AABIR (Hamdan Al-Maktoum), Thomson Jones, 9-0 A. Murray 9
3 F000- ANOTHER ANGUS (D. Ivory), K. Ivory, 9-0 ... M. Wigham 4
4 00000-0 CRONTETH (J. Thursby), G. Lewis, 9-0 ... P. Waldron 7
7 000-000 JACK'S ISLAND (H. Kings), C. Brittain, 9-0 ... G. Starkey 18
8 JAMES DE COOMBE (Exors of late B. Swift), Mrs S. Swift, 9-0 G. Sexton 6
9 0- LYPHARD CHIMES (Sheikh Mohammed), H. Cecil, 9-0 S. Cauthen 5
11 00000- MAFTIR (C. Gaventa), R. Smyth, 9-0 ... Paul Eddery 14
14 MY BOY ROY (Mrs M. O'Sullivan), J. Sutcliffe, 9-0 J. Mercer 3
17 04-0 SCHLEMMER (C. St George), P. Kelleway, 9-0 G. Baxter 11
18 00-0 SOUTHERN STORM (Mrs M. Bevan), B. Wise, 9-0 ... A. Bond 13
19 0- THE KETCHAK (T. Pearce), M. Stoute, 9-0 W. R. Swinburn 15
20 3-3 VISUAL IDENTITY (Visual Identity Ltd Design Studio), P. Mitchell, 9-0 ... B. Rouse 1
21 0 BELLE TOWER (Mrs G. Smith), R. Smyth, 8-11 S. Whitworth (3) 8
25 0- PRIORY MAID (J. O'Donoghue), J. O'Donoghue, 8-11 P. O'Leary 2
26 030- STRIKING BALANCE (Col F. Hue-Williams), J. Dunlop, 8-11 W. Carson 10
27 00-0 TRING (T. Ronan), A. Pitt, 8-11 ... J. Reid 16
28 40- UNMISTAKABLE (R. Sangster), B. Hills, 8-11 ... R. Thomson 17

S.P. FORECAST: 3 Al-Aabir, 7-2 The Ketchak, 4 Lyphard Chimes, 6 Striking Balance, 7 Schlemmer, 10 Visual Identity, 12 Unmistakable, 14 Absolute Bounder, 16 others.

1984 (Bunbury Stks): Premier Coup 9-0 S. Cauthen 9-2 G. Lewis. 9 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Absolute Bounder was beaten 12l by Scottish Reel (level) at Warwick (1m) April 9 (heavy). Visual Identity was beaten 32l when last of 3 to Sand Iron (gave 6lb) at Lingfield (7f 140y) April 10 (heavy). Al-Aabir was beaten sh hd by Pharjoy (rec 3lb) at Doncaster (6f) Nov 9 (soft). The Ketchak was 11th of 12 to Sabona (level) at Kempton (7f) Sept 8 (good to firm). Lyphard Chimes was beaten 5½l when 6th to Dowsing (Sturt (gave 4lb) at Doncaster (6f) Sept 15 (good to soft). Striking Balance was beaten 14¼l when 5th to Raabihah (gave 6lb) at Goodwood (6f) Oct 2 (soft).

AL-AABIR may go one better. Lyphard Chimes next best.

NORTHERN CORRESPONDENT

EPSOM: 2.0 Be Positive; 3.35 Clantime.

PONTEFRACT: 2.45 Foundry Artist; 3.15 Trade High; 3.45 Meadowbrook; 4.15 Cherry Hill (nap); 4.45 Hello Gypsy; 5.15 Single Bid; 5.45 Nijwa.

HOTSPUR'S "TWELVE"

Presidium (3.5, Epsom) and Careen (4.15, Pontefract) are horses listed in Hotspur's "Twelve to Follow" (Flat) engaged today. None of the N H

YESTERDAY'S NATIONAL HUNT RESULTS AND PRICES

SEDGEFIELD

2.15: Edwards Corner (S. Storey, 11-2) 1; Mosquito River (10-1) 2; Cordero Eur (4-1) 3; Thomond Prince 7-2F. 15 ran. 15l, 2½l. (J. Barber.) Tote: Win, £7·70; places, £2·20, £3·10, £2·00. Dual F'cast: £58·40. SPSF: £61·45. Tricast: £522·16.

2.45: French Nephew (C. Grant, 11-10F) 1; Seldby (5-1) 2; Minuettes (9-2) 3. 14 ran. nk, 3l. (Denys Smith.) Tote: Win, £2·20; places, £1·10, £3·20, £2·60. Dual F'cast: £6·00. SPSF: £9·93. Tricast: £23·04.

3.15: Purple Beam (C. Grant, 5-1) 1; Shirlstar Busybus (4-1JF) 2; Mead (4-1JF) 3. 8 ran. 1½l, 4l. (M. T. French.) Tote: Win, £3·60; places, £1·80, £1·50, £1·80. Dual F'cast: £16·30. SPSF: £20·84.

3.45: Unscrupulous Judge (C. Grant, 6-1) 1; Wilbare (13-2) 2; Succeeded (4-1JF) 3. 9 ran. 1½l, 4l. (T. Stephenson, Bishop Auckland.) Tote: Win, £18·00; places, £3·20, £2·40, £1·40. Dual F'cast: £105·10. SPSF: £64·91.

4.15: Castle Official (C. Pimlott, 11-4) 1; Jeffrey Graham (8-1) 2; Whistling Stellar (8-1) 3. 18 ran. 4l, 1½l. (I. Hanson, Wetherby.) Tote: Win, £3·10; places, £1·90, £4·30, £2·60. Dual F'cast: £53·90. SPSF: £25·56.

4.45: Torine (P. A. Charlton, 8-11F) 1; Harley Squires Gold (10-1) 2; (33-1) 3. 15 ran. 15l, 1½l. (A. Scott, Wooperton.) Tote: Win, £1·90; places, £1·10, £2·10, £22·30. Dual F'cast: £8·35. SPSF: £12·95. NR: Fair Ashore.

TOWCESTER

2.0: The Vrannant (S. Shilston, 4-6F) 1; Indian (12-1) 2; Charlie Dan (50-1) 3. 18 ran. 3l, 2½l. (F. Walwyn.) Tote: Win, £1·70; places, £1·40, £2·30, £25·80. Dual F'cast: £6·50. SPSF: £15·92.

2.30: Chasm (R. Rowe, 10-11F) 1; Brooklands (50-1) 2; Freddie Bee (9-2) 3. 14 ran. ½l, 1½l. (F. Walwyn.) Tote: Win, £1·80; places, £1·50, £4·50, £1·70. Dual F'cast: £18·00. SPSF: £49·05. NRs: Hardnoll, Rostra.

3.0: Light Song (K. Mooney, 5-2F) 1; Brobury (10-1) 2; For Mose (14-1) 3; Grannie's Pet (12-1) 4. 17 ran. 2½l, 2½l. (F. Walwyn.) Tote: Win, £3·80; places, £1·90, £1·60, £15·30, £1·70. Dual F'cast: £5·20. SPSF: £29·60.

Tricast: £288·12. NRs: Dick's Folly, Warily.

3.30: Backstreet Guy (J. White, 5-1) 1; Le Gran Bros (4-1F) 2; Gambling Abbot (33-1) 3. 15 ran. 2l, 6l. (N. Henderson.) Tote: Win, £5·10; places, £1·90, £3·10, £8·60. Dual F'cast: £14·10. SPSF: £26·53. Tricast: £577·35. NR: Vale of Walton.

4.0: Stanton (J. White, 9-1) 1; Velena (9-2F) 2; Skenby (9-1) 3. 14 ran. 2½l, 7l. (N. Henderson.) Tote: Win, £9·10; places, £2·10, £5·50, £3·20. Dual F'cast: £151·40. SPSF: £49·83. Tricast: £355·24.

4.30: Connors (A. Gorman, 9-1) 1; Lord Laurence (9-1) 2; Oliver Anthony (25-1) 3. 18 ran. Premier Stran 5-4F. ½l, 4l. (M. Hinchliffe.) Tote: Win, £13·30; places, £5·10, £1·80, £11·80. Dual F'cast: £15·10. SPSF: £36·60.

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CORNHILL TEST SERIES

Six Test matches have been scheduled against Australia on June 13 (Headingley), June 27 (Lord's), July 11 (Trent Bridge), Aug. 1 (Old Trafford), Aug. 15 (Edgbaston) and Aug. 29 (The Oval).

For the first time spectators will be able to claim a refund less a small service charge for any full day's play lost to the weather. Details are given on Test match tickets.

Winners of each Test	£5,000
Player of series	£1,000
Man of match	£500

TEXACO TROPHY

Three one-day internationals (55 overs) against Australia on May 30 (Old Trafford), June 1 (Edgbaston) and June 3 (Lord's).

Texaco, who took over the one-day internationals last season, plan to announced their 1983 sponsorship details at Lord's today.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Britannic Assurance, in their second year of sponsorship, have increased their contribution to the game, and the champions will receive £20,000, the highest prize money for any domestic competition and £5,000 more than last year.

The championship remains one of 24 three-day matches (11 a.m. start, with 16 points for a win and four batting and bowling the first 100 overs of each first innings.

There will no longer be prize money for bonus points; instead, the winners of each match will receive £250, an increase of £150.

Sides must bowl 112 overs a day—a reduction of five on last season—and teams who fail to bowl their overs at 18·5 an hour will be fined at the rate of £2,000 for the first 0·5 of an over by which they fall short of that figure and £1,000 for every subsequent 0·5 of an over.

Fines will be imposed at the halfway stage and the end of the season.

Prize money for fifth place is being introduced for the first time.

Winners	£20,000
Runners-up	£10,000
Third place	£5,000
Fourth place	£2,500
Fifth place	£1,250

JOHN PLAYER LEAGUE

Played on Sundays (40 overs), with each county meeting each other once, starting on May 5. Matches now begin at 1.30 p.m. —30 minutes earlier—though this is to accommodate television not as would also have been desirable, to allow bowlers to operate off proper run-ups.

Increased prize money, with the winners receiving £17,000 (£14,000 last year) and the runners-up £8,500 (£7,000 last year).

Winners	£17,000
Runners-up	£8,500
Third place	£3,750
Fourth place	£2,250
Winners of each game	£275
Most sixes	£100
Four wickets most times	£400

NATWEST TROPHY

It remains a 60 overs a side knockout competition involving all 17 first-class counties, 13 Minor Counties, Scotland and Ireland.

First round on July 3, second round July 17, quarter-finals Aug. 7, semi-finals Aug. 21, final at Lord's on Sept. 7.

The National Westminster Bank have extended their sponsorship for a further five years, which is expected to be worth £2 million and the winners will receive £17,000, an increase of £3,000.

Winners	£17,000
Runners-up	£8,500
Losing semi-finalists	£4,250
Losing quarter-finalists	£2,125

Man of the match: £350 (final), £275 (semi-finals), £200 (quarter-finals), £125 (second rounds), £100 (first round).

BENSON & HEDGES CUP

With 55 overs per side, there are four zonal groups, matches on May 4, 11, 14 and 16. First two in each group qualify for quarter-finals on June 5. Semi-finals on June 19, final at Lord's on July 20.

Winners receive £17,000, an increase of £3,000, and the runners-up will collect £8,500, £1,500 more than last year.

Winners	£17,000
Runners-up	£8,500
Losing semi-finalists	£3,750
Losing quarter-finalists	£2,000
Winners of zonal matches	£550

Gold (man of the match) awards: £500 (final), £250 (semi-finals), £175 (quarter-finals), £100 (zonal games).

M.C.

ENGLAND'S GIFT FROM INDIA—TEAM SPIRIT

By MICHAEL CAREY

IT HAS to be a unique cricket season that welcomes not only the Australians (whoever they may turn out to be) and the return of 15 Englishmen suspended from Test cricket, but also follows a rare — nowadays— successful English Test series abroad.

Such is the one ushered in today by the traditional match at Lord's between Essex, the County Champions, and a well-balanced M C C team; indeed, the summer ahead has so much on offer that it is tempting to overlook the darker side of the game momentarily.

Yet even now, only a fortnight or so before their arrival, the make-up of the Australian party is still uncertain because of the wretched involvement of some of them with another unofficial visit to South Africa. Elsewhere other problems remain to be tackled.

To name just a few of them —intimidatory bowling, an excess of Test cricket, the disparity of payments between Test and County cricketers, the imbalance of one-day cricket and the question of drugs and crowd behaviour — may be enough to make any decent cricket follower wonder precisely what the game is all about these days.

But they will not go away without firm action from the respective authorities, and while awaiting that it is important that the game itself is seen at its most honourable at all levels this summer.

Packer to the rescue

The irony of Australia's problems, with Mr Kerry Packer, of all people, trying to preserve equilibrium—it is no coincidence that his Channel 9 TV is providing full coverage of the Tests —will have produced many a wry smile at Lord's, though it would be sad if this summer series were devalued or besmirched in any way.

Whatever its outcome, it will be refreshing for all concerned to turn up every day without, as last summer, dreading the gloomy inevitability of it all and, depending partly on pitches, dare one also hope that spin rather than pace bowling will hold sway?

England, at least, now have something to build on—especially the dressing-room spirit created last winter—and to the selectors falls the task of ensuring that it is not eroded.

Let us hope they stand no nonsense from anyone at any time. Whatever else India did last winter, their selectors were courageous enough to indicate that no leading player, no matter how talented, is bigger than the game itself.

'Rebel' integration

How and when any of the so-called "rebels" will be integrated into the England side is another matter. Some have, in any case, fallen by the wayside in the interim, some were never picked and others were found wanting at the highest level.

Others, such as Gooch, Willey and Emburey, have qualities which England would doubtless welcome though none, I am sure, would expect to replace a successful member of last winter's side other than strictly on merit and form. Loyalty is not yet out of fashion, surely.

The visit of the Australians also brings into focus the claims of four-day cricket, for which there has been, for some time, a considerable lobby among English counties, notably Surrey and Warwickshire.

The tourists, at their own request, have been allocated a number of four-day matches, starting with the one at Worcester on May 11. These may well do no more than prove that a match is as good only as those playing in it—and the pitch provided—regardless of duration.

Pitch predominates

In India, for instance, England played in two vividly contrasting four-day fixtures at Rajcot and Hyderabad. The first was stultifying in its predictability because of a pitch that offered the bowlers nothing; the second, which had pace and bounce, produced an absorbing contest to the final hour.

As there seems to be difficulties in producing pitches lasting even three days in some parts of the country, this may well be no more than an interesting experiment, though anything that encourages English batsmen to play properly and develop a long innings is not without merit.

On the domestic scene, Essex will be seeking their third successive County Championship. Who would back against them, even though this year's contest, with the return of sundry overseas fast bowlers, may be more than a two-horse race?

Yorkshire were the last county to win the title three times in a row, from 1966 to 1968. How pleasant if it were only their activities on the field which dominated the headlines this summer.

Village vacancy

Finance dominates my two final thoughts. As can be seen in an adjoining column, there is increased sponsorship at Test and County level again this year, so it seems pertinent to point out that the National Village Championship now needs a new sponsor in its 14th year.

I hope this gap, for a particularly worthy competition, will not long remain unfilled. And what a comment on current attitudes it is that MCC, in arranging a match against a Rest of the World XI to mark the club's bicentenary in 1987, feel obliged to offer rich prize money to, in their words, "ensure an element of competition."

Would not the honour of appearing in such a memorable fixture suffice? I may be old-fashioned, but still believe there are plenty of cricketers who would happily play for nothing more than a commemorative medallion and the money thus saved could go elsewhere, perhaps to further the cause of less privileged players rather than lining the pockets of the already well-paid.

● **As an additional service to readers, the DAILY TELEGRAPH will publish on Mondays full scoreboards of first-class play on Saturdays.**

Australia to omit three

By ALAN SHIELL In Adelaide

THREE players, Rod McCurdy and Terry Alderman; both bowlers, and Steve Rixon, a wicket-keeper, will be replaced in Australia's 17-man team to tour England this year.

The trio failed to sign an Australian Cricket Board statutory declaration by yesterday's deadline, aimed at preventing them playing in a rebel tour in South Africa.

But four other players who had signed South African tour contracts, Wayne Phillips, Graeme Wood, Dirk Wellham and Murray Bennett signed the declaration, ensuring their retention in the Australian party, which will fly to London next Tuesday for the 18-week tour.

Lucrative offers

It is believed that three of them — Phillips, Wood and Wellham — late last week received lucrative counter offers from Kerry Packer, the media businessman, to pull out of their South African commitments.

The players' acceptance of the offer could lead to some disharmony in the Australian party because the three will benefit financially, on top of the tour payment, through having signed originally to go to South Africa. The other players, who chose to stay in "official" cricket with the A C B, will probably get nothing extra.

Ray Phillips, the Queensland wicketkeeper, looks certain to replace Rixon ahead of Roger Woolley and Michael Dimattina, while Dave Gilbert, of New South Wales, is expected to be one of the two new pace-bowlers.

The other new bowler might be Queenslander Carl Rackemann, though he is believed to have signed a South African tour contract. Other possibles are Tasmanian all-rounder Peter Faulkner or Tony Dodemaide an all-rounder, with Victoria.

McEWAN 110 SETS TONE

By ALEX PETERS at Fenner's

Essex, their options limited by a threadbare attack and a placid pitch, scored 299 runs in a little over three hours at Fenner's yesterday to make certain that their opening match with Cambridge University ended in stalemate.

Centuries of starkly contrasting styles by Ken McEwan and Brian Hardie were followed by a dash of Graham Gooch in dismissively confident mood.

Essex's token declaration in mid-afternoon set the University a fanciful 445 to win, a task they modestly declined.

So chilling was the wind that umpire Constant resorted to woollen hat and gloves, his col-

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league Lloyd to an apt Lancastrain flat cap, while everyone recalled the day in 1981 when the corresponding game at Fenner's was mercifully halted on the grounds that it was too cold.

McEwan, however, kept the fielders warm, reaching his hundred from only 91 balls and in all striking two sixes and 16 fours as he contributed 110 to the stand with Hardie worth 158 in 115 minutes.

Hardie was in far less hurry. He bats in the same effectively inelegant fashion whatever the quality of opposition, never dominating but seldom wasting his wicket and he looks so fit from winter road-running that this 228-minute innings was a mere practice gallop.

For the second time in the match Gooch fell on the brink of a fast century, his 88 coming from only 61 deliveries, including seven sixes—four of them in a single over from the spinner Gorman, which cost 30 runs.

ESSEX.—First innings: 339-6 dec. (G. A. Gooch 99, K. W. R. Fletcher 56 not, K. R. Pont 55).

Second innings

P. J. Prichard, b Ellison	10
B. R. Hardie, not out	112
†D. E. East, c Cotterell, b Grimes	2
K. S. McEwan, c Fell, b Gorman	110
G. A. Gooch, c Ahluwalia, b Scott	88
Extras (b 1, lb 3, w 1)	5
Total (4 wkts dec.)	327

Fall of wickets: 1-19, 2-28, 3-186, 4-327.

Bowling: Grimes 15-2-94-1; Ellison 18-3-60-1; Scott 11-3-1-63-1; Cotterell 4-1-19-0; Gorman 13-3-76-1; Lea 1-0-8-0.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—First innings: 222-6 dec. (D. J. Fell 85, T. A. Cotterell 69 not. Bowling: Lever 15-6-28-2; Pont 19.9-43-2; Gooch 30-6-50-1; Childs 30-10-70-1; Acfield 16-6-23-1).

Second innings

A. E. Lea, not out	31
M. S. Ahluwalia, run out	1
D. J. Fell, c Pont, b Acfield	37
D. G. Price, not out	0
Extras	0
Total (2 wkts)	69

Fall of wickets: 1-5, 2-66.

Bowling: Lever 5-4-4-0; Pont 8-3-12-0; Childs 16-8-25-0; Acfield 12-4-30-1.

Umpires: D. J. Constant & D. Lloyd.

FRIENDLY (Worcester). — Worcs 223-1 (M. Weston 71 n o, T. Curtis 74 n o); Glous 215-4 (A. Stovold 50). Worcs won by 8 runs.

BOB TAYLOR DINNER

Derbyshire are holding a dinner on May 10 to mark the retirement of wicketkeeper Bob Taylor after 24 years.

John Carr, bulging with sweaters, on his way to a 153-minute hundred against Somerset.

Carr's brilliant 115 warms the chill

By DOUG IBBOTSON in The Parks

JOHN CARR, the Oxford all-rounder, fashioned a splendid century in the drawn match against Somerset yesterday, which not only enlivened a chill and static day in The Parks, but will surely interest the forward-planners of Middlesex, his adoptive county.

Carr, whose cultured strokeplay belies a somewhat knock-kneed, cross-batted stance, struck 20 boundaries in reaching his third first-class century in 153 minutes and off 115 balls.

It enabled the university, facing a Somerset total of 351 for

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one declared and agonising at 11 for two, to achieve 247 for five declared and a commendable reply.

From the Middlesex point of view, it may be equally pertinent that when Carr joins them early in July, with four Test matches still to come, his considerable talents as a spin-bowler could be set against the the possible loss of Edmonds and or Emburey.

Carr, whose previous centuries were against Somerset and Lancashire, dominated the Oxford innings, both in style and substance. Two superb extra-cover boundaries off the back foot while facing Palmer, epitomised the quality of his timing and technique.

For much of the innings, he was accompanied by Toogood, a dour but invaluable partner, who contributed only 51 to a third-wicket stand of 154 and persevered to reach his half-century in 220 minutes.

The Somerset bowling was exploratory in several respects. Turner, before retiring with a knee strain, found the way past Bristowe's bat and the edge of Miller's.

Davis severely tested Toogood, while Booth discovered that slow, full tosses and long-hops are invariably despatched to the boundary.

The scoreboard

SOMERSET.—First innings: 351-1 dec. (J. G. Wyatt 145, P. M. Roebuck 125 not, N. F. Popplewell 67 not. Bowling: Thorne 16-3-49-0; Quinlan 21-6-62-1; Toogood 21.3-70-0; Lawrence 25-5-87-0; Carr 38-8-78-0.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY—First innings

*A. J. T. Miller, c Botham, b Turner	6
W. R. Bristowe, b Turner	4
G. J. Toogood, c Gard, b Davis	59
J. D. Carr, b Marks	115
D. A. Thorne, c Wyatt, b Booth	31
†J. G. Franks, not out	10
T. Patel, not out	12
Extras (b 4, nb 6)	10
Total (5 wkts)	247

Fall of wickets: 1-8, 2-11, 3-165, 4-225, 5-227.

Bowling: Davis 21-7-35-1; Turner 8-1-3-20-2; Palmer 20-6-56-0; Booth 19-7-62-1; Popplewell 6-5-1-41-0; Marks 14-7-16-1; Botham 6-1-13-0.

Umpires: H. D. Bird & D. S. Thomsett.

'SANITY' PLEA BY BAIRSTOW

David Bairstow, the Yorkshire captain, called for "harmony, sanity and success" at his county committee's pre-season lunch at Headingley yesterday.

He said: "The members have every right to call for success, but that cannot be achieved without harmony and sanity."

Yorkshire, he added, were formed to play cricket and not to be a debating society. "Differences off the field have, and will continue to have an adverse effect on the players," he said.

JENNINGS RETIRES

Jack Jennings, the Northamptonshire physiotherapist since 1948, has retired, though he will be available to help treat players if needed. Jennings, a First Division footballer before the war, was Northampton's trainer for nearly 20 years, and also trained the England amateur soccer side and the British Olympic team.

Haynes races to his eighth one-day century

By TONY COZIER in Bridgetown, Barbados

DESMOND HAYNES scored his eighth one-day century as West Indies accumulated 265 for three from 49 overs in the fifth and final one-day match against New Zealand in Bridgetown yesterday.

No other batsman in the brief, but hectic, history of international limited-over cricket has managed as many hundreds.

His first was in his opening match against Australia in Antigua in 1978; his most recent 146 not out in the third match of the present series, in Guyana.

He lifted left-arm medium-pace Troup for two huge sixes over Long on off successive balls and had eight fours before he was third out, caught on the midwicket boundary off Chatfield for 116 in the 44th over.

He and the left-handed Gomes, unusually extravagant in his stroke-play, added 184 from 33 overs for the second wicket after Richardson was an early victim to a slip catch off Chatfield. Gomes needed only 92 balls for 78 with nine fours before he was caught on the mid-wicket boundary.

New Zealand's captain, Geoff Howarth, put West Indies in but the pitch proved ideal and the outfield was hard and fast. In such conditions, New Zealand, beaten in the previous four matches, found it impossible to curb the flow of runs.

WEST INDIES (N.Z. won toss)

D. L. Haynes, c Coney, b Chatfield	116
R. B. Richardson, c Coney, b Chatfield	21
H. A. Gomes, c J. J. Crowe, b Cairns	78
*I. V. A. Richards, not out	33
A. L. Logie, not out	11
Extras (lb 5, w 1)	6
Total (49 overs, 3 wkts)	265

Fall of wickets: 1-28, 2-215, 3-223.

Did not bat: †P. J. Dujon, E. A. E. Baptiste, R. A. Harper, M. A. Holding, J. Garner, W. W. Davis.

Bowling: Troup 10-0-57-0; Hadlee 9-1-25-0; Chatfield 10-1-52-2; Cairns 10-1-63-1; Coney 10-0-73-0.

New Zealand: *G. P. Howarth, J. G. Wright, K. R. Rutherford, J. J. Crowe, M. D. Crowe, J. V. Coney, †I. D. S. Smith, R. J. Hadlee, B. L. Cairns, G. B. Troup, E. J. Chatfield.

Umpires: L. H. Barker, D. M. Archer.

TODAY'S MATCHES

(11.30-6.30)

Cambridge: Cambridge Univ. v Notts. Oxford: Oxford Univ. v Glamorgan. Lord's: MCC v Essex.

Obituary

'QUIET MAN' OF GOLF

By GEORGE SIMMS

SYD SCOTT, one of the "quiet men" of professional golf in the immediate post-war-era, has died aged 71 after a long illness.

Born in Armathwaite, Cumbria, he was a prominent tournament player in an age dominated by Peter Thomson and Bobby Locke, when they were regular invaders of the British circuit.

He tied with Locke and Dai Rees for second place, a shot behind Thomson, when the Australian won the first of his five British Opens at Royal Birkdale in 1954.

He was a contender again in 1959, finishing fourth, three strokes behind Gary Player at Muirfield. In the following year in the Centenary Open at St Andrews—won by Kel Nagle, of Australia—he came to grief in the last round after threatening the leaders with a third-round 67.

Delicate touch

Sydney Simeon Scott was a quiet, unassuming man with a delicate short-game touch who did not, perhaps, dominate the headlines in the manner of contemporaries such as Rees, Max Faulkner, Peter Alliss and Christie O'Connor.

However, he won Ryder Cup honours in the 1955 match at Palm Springs and had the distinction of playing in the Masters at Augusta in the early 60s.

In 1964, he and Rees renewed rivalries when both were senior professionals. In the Over-50s championship at the Northumberland Golf Club, Gosforth Park, Scott holed a putt on the last green to beat Rees by a stroke and take the title.

It gave him a tilt at Sam Snead, the US senior champion, for the world title but Snead eclipsed him at Wentworth over 36 holes by 7 & 6.

He served at Brampton, Hartlepool, and Carlisle City, then moved to Roehampton, Surrey, where he was club professional from 1958 to 1980, being succeeded on retirement by his son, Alan.

Scott's brother, Ernest, is the professional at Middlesbrough. His first wife died in 1977 but he remarried and leaves a widow, Gillian, a son and a daughter.

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Golf

CROSBY PRO-AM IS CANCELLED

Bing Crosby's widow Kathryn yesterday severed the family's ties with the Bing Crosby National Pro-Am golf tournament.

She said the American P G A were trying to turn it into "another corporate sideshow."

Deane Beman, director of the P G A tour, said the tournament would go ahead with a new name and new sponsorship.

Captains against fines for slow over rates

COUNTY captains have protested to the Test and County Cricket Board about the decision to introduce fines for slow over rates into one-day cricket for the first time this summer, writes **Michael Carey.**

But their request, made at their recent pre-season meeting at Lord's, to have the decision reversed seems unlikely to be successful.

The fines will come into operation in the Benson and Hedges Cup, in which 5½ hours is allocated for the completion of each innings of 55 overs.

A fine of £100 per over in the zonal rounds and £200 in the knock-out rounds will be imposed for each over not bowled when the playing time is up.

"Game could suffer"

Similar penalties will be enforced in the John Player League (40 overs) and the NatWest Trophy (60 overs), but captains are worried that concern about the over-rate might become all-consuming and detrimental to a side's performance.

Their point is that spectators still get full value in one-day cricket and that, as tension mounts towards the end of a game, a certain amount of deliberation in field placing and tactical appraisal becomes necessary.

In the Britannic Assurance County Championship, a system of fines has been reintroduced running parallel to the obligatory 112 overs a day. If this had been in force last season, Essex, the champions, who averaged 15·5 overs an hour, would have had to pay £14,000.

In all domestic competitions this season, wides and no balls will be debited to the bowler's analysis, thus bringing English cricket into line with a practice which is now world-wide.

PACEMAN SIGNS

Tom Stancombe, 19, a first-year Geography student at Plymouth Polytechnic has signed a three-year playing contract with Warwickshire County Cricket Club, having been spotted on a course for fast bowlers sponsored by Webster's Yorkshire Bitter.

AWARD DATE FOR LEVER

John Lever, of Essex, the first bowler to take 100 first-class wickets last season, will be presented with the DAILY TELEGRAPH Swanton Trophy to mark the feat at Lord's on May 16, when Essex meet Middlesex in the Benson and Hedges Cup.

At the same time Mike Gatting, Middlesex's captain, will receive the Lawrence Trophy for scoring the fastest century of the season—in 79 minutes against Kent at Lord's on Sept. 7.

The Swanton Trophy, an inscribed silver stump named after the former Telegraph cricket correspondent E. W. Swanton, was introduced in 1985.

Lever took his 100th wicket on Aug. 18, the earliest so far. Malcolm Marshall, of Hampshire, the first winner, achieved the feat on Aug. 25 in 1982 and John Emburey, of Middlesex, did it on Sept. 1 in 1985.

Mediocre bowling

Unfortunately, the Lawrence Trophy, first won by Frank Woolley in 1934, has become devalued in recent years with batsmen taking advantage of mediocre bowling tossed up with the aim of improving over-rates or hastening declarations rather than taking wickets.

Even Gatting's hundred was made partly against what he described as "joke bowlers"—including Chris Tavare and Derek Aslett — and this tendency is something that even the sponsors' decision to base the award on balls received rather than time from this year will not obviate.

With due respect to such a historic trophy, perhaps the time has now come to award it to the batsman reaching 1,000 first-class runs first, which would reward consistency and would be based on a part of the season when cheap runs might not be so readily available.

MICHAEL CAREY

Schools Cricket Prospects—Part I

Australia tonic lifts Lancing

By Our Schools Cricket Correspondent

TEN years ago a cricket tour to Holland or Denmark was as much as any school could contemplate, but horizons have widened.

As the 1985 season begins, at least four parties are looking forward to trips to the Far East or Australia.

Hurstpierpoint will be making their third tour to India. M. Speight, the new captain, set records last season as batsman and wicketkeeper and there are nine who have played for the first XI.

After three years of outstanding success **Brighton** must rebuild around the bowling of D. Panto and the batting of M. Edmunds. Following a successful tour of Australia, **Lancing** anticipate a good season under J. Robinson, a talented batsman.

Healthy competition should be seen at **Eastbourne** where G. Richards is captain for a second year. **Christ's Hospital** expect to field a well-balanced team with all-rounders P. English and J. Bennett as key members, while **Ardingly's** young but talented side are expected to play attacking cricket.

King's, Canterbury, bowled out only once last summer, have lost almost all their batsmen. **Sutton Valence** look to J. Sunnucks, their captain, to give a sound lead on the scoreboard.

M. Rayfield, who leads **Cranbrook,** is in his fourth year, but only three others remain from last season's XI. **Sevenoaks** retain J. Mitchell and C. Crang, their two leading batsmen, but the bowling is uncertain.

A young, enthusiastic **Cranleigh** team will include four old Colours who showed their potential last year. Only three or four vacancies exist at **Epsom,** where much is expected from G. Corcoran with the bat, and J. Baldwin with the ball. **Caterham** hope for their strongest batting line-up for some years.

Gifted all-rounder

Reigate G.S. can call on seven players with extensive first XI experience. **St John's, Leatherhead,** unbeaten in 1985 and 1984, now have only two Colours. Two capable recruits join six old hands at **St George's, Weybridge** under T. O'Gorman, a gifted all-rounder.

A. Morley-Brown and M. Coote have already made their marks with bat and ball respectively for **Tiffin** and there are five other established members. The **Kingston G.S. XI** will be young with only four of last year's side remaining.

No full Colours survive at **Trinity** (Croydon), but there are several with first XI experience. **Whitgift** have as many as 12 who have played for the first team.

J. Lennox, the **Dulwich** captain, will be the mainstay of the batting in a season of rebuilding. **St Paul's** have two experienced spin bowlers and the batting should be solid.

J. Feltham will be busy with both bat and ball for **K.C.S. Wimbledon,** who seem short of match-winning bowlers. **Westminster** will field an unusually young side with only two Old Pinks remaining.

Emanuel have some talented batsmen, but bowlers of quality are in short supply. **St Dunstan's** are rebuilding from a low point reached last year under G. Pointer, a bowler of real pace.

Squash Rackets

Devoy retains Open crown

By D. J. RUTNAGUR

NEW ZEALANDER Susan Devoy, 21, retained the women's title in the Davies and Tate British Open squash rackets championships at the Wembley Conference Centre last night.

She beat Martine Le Moignan, from Guernsey, a first-time finalist, 9-6, 5-9, 9-6, 9-5 in 58 minutes in an absorbing final, with each game closely contested producing a high percentage of winning shots.

Miss Le Moignan played at least as many winners as the champion, but made too many errors against a calm, disciplined adversary.

Miss Le Moignan, whose play was both more robust and versatile, also fell behind because she allowed Miss Devoy too much freedom to play her drop.

It is a shot which she executes well and one which Miss Le Moignan, like most tall players, does not retrieve too well.

While the drop was a weapon which served Miss Devoy well, it ironically proved her undoing during the tense struggle for the second game, which she lost. She misaimed it three times consecutively to give Miss Le Moignan the final points.

Spectacular shot

Miss Le Moignan had got in hand with a backhand boast, which was as spectacular a shot as any seen in the match.

When she was playing well, Miss Le Moignan was quite brilliant, killing the ball with devastatingly powerful volleys and using the side walls to advantage.

The pace was sizzling and it took a player of exceptional control and mobility to cope with it. Miss Devoy's calm temperament was no less an asset, particularly when Miss Le Moignan hit her purple patches and took several points in a row.

Erratic spells

In the second game Miss Le Moignan went from 2-2 to 6-2 in one hand. She was then at her vintage best, but her erratic spells too were just as prolonged.

Inevitably, it seems, Jahangir Khan, of Pakistan, won the men's title for the fourth year running, beating Australian left-hander Chris Dittmar 9-3, 9-2, 9-5 in well under an hour.

FINAL. — Jahangir Khan (Pakistan) bt C. Dittmar (Australia) 9-3, 9-2, 9-5. WOMEN'S FINAL.—S. Devoy (N.Z.) bt M. Le Moignan (Guernsey) 9-6, 5-9, 9-6, 9-5.

LAWN TENNIS

W C T CH'SHIPS Atlanta.—1st Rd: R. Krishnan (India) bt S. Giammalva 6-4, 7-6; P. Cash (Australia) bt J. Lapidus 4-6, 6-1, 6-4; L. Shiras bt R. Green 6-3, 6-7, 6-3; S. Denton bt B. Becker (W. Germany) 6-7, 6-4, 7-6; B. Gilbert bt C. Hooey (S. Africa) 6-3, 6-2; K. Curren bt C. Van Rensburg (S. Africa) 6-3; 6-3; P. Annacone bt T. Moor 6-3, 7-5; D. Pate bt M. Perafors (Sweden) 6-3, 7-6.

Golf

NEW EVENT FOR TOP EUROPEANS

EUROPE'S professional golfers were yesterday handed a £787,000 "carrot" for the 1985 tour, which began with the Tunisian Open last weekend.

A new matchplay event—the Epson Grand Prix — is to be staged next year as part of a £2 million package by the sponsoring computer company. The venues are to be announced later.

A 32-man field, drawn from the order of merit, will contest the tournament worth £100,000, with prize money increasing to £250,000 in 1987.

Increasing prize fund

Epson's are also taking over sponsorship of the order of merit putting up a bonus pool worth £100,000, with £25,000 going to the winner after the final tournament in Portugal in November.

The company will increase the order of merit prize fund to £150,000 in 1986 and £175,000 the following year, when the top prize will be worth £40,000.

The last matchplay event on the tour—with the exception of the Suntory World Championship — was the Sun Alliance Tournament, which ended in 1979, when Des Smyth triumphed at Fulford.

The sponsors hope to safeguard the appearance of Europe's top players in the matchplay event by withholding payment of money list prizes until they receive a firm commitment to play in the tournament.

'Shooting star' awards

"That is a very strict condition attached to the order of merit prizes," said George O'Grady, managing director of PGA European Tour Enterprises.

Younger members of the tour are also catered for, with six monthly "shooting star" awards of £500 going to the European tour member who rises by the most number of places that month.

The player who has made the most significant improvement at the end of the season will receive £1,000.

David Felgate of Essex in action at Queen's Club yesterday where he lost to Irish-American Doug Stone 6-2, 6-7, 3-6 in the first round.

Fulwood fights back to beat Kratzmann

By JOHN PARSONS

NICK FULWOOD of Derbyshire added to his encouraging performances at the Cumberland Club last week by defeating world junior champion Mark Kratzmann of Australia when the L T A Spring circuit continued on clay at Queen's Club, West Kensington, yesterday.

On one of those bitterly cold, blustery days which surely explains in part why British players struggle to make headway in world terms, Fulwood, 21, did himself a power of good with his 3-6, 6-3, 6-1 victory.

Quite apart from avenging a first-round defeat over four sets at Wimbledon last year Fulwood kept himself in line for a substantial leap in the world rankings.

At present the 11th ranked British player is no higher than 523 in the world but if he can finish among the top four on this circuit—at present he is third—then he could climb to 350 or even higher.

That in turn would probably persuade national team manager Paul Hutchins that he warrants another wild card at Wimbledon this year.

Certainly Fulwood hit many splendidly controlled passing winners as Kratzmann, happier on faster surfaces, maintained an extravagant desire to get to the net.

Many errors

Fulwood, initially wary about the toughness of his draw, trailed 0-4 in the first set but recovered strongly, keeping his head while allowing fourth-seeded Kratzmann, winner of the junior events at Wimbledon, the U.S. Open and Australia last year, to make many errors.

In the second round Fulwood will face Irish-American Doug Stone who beat David Felgate 2-6, 7-6, 6-3 after the Essex player, unlucky on at least two line calls, nevertheless carried his protests too far for his own good.

Not that he expressed his feelings so fiercely as Suzie Mair. The Edinburgh girl was so furious with herself for losing to top-seeded Kumiko Okamoto from 4-1 in the final set that she hurled her racket into the side netting.

There was disappointment too for Yorkshire's Jason Goodall, who is still being restricted by an ankle injury but an admirable gamble by the energetically determined Mark Blincow, brought a worthy reward.

Extra point

Blincow, 25, from Northants, who passed up the offer of a wild card and deliberately played through the qualifying to collect an extra circuit point, beat the American Delayne Howell 1-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Second seed Jeremy Bates, the most highly-ranked British player, had to fight hard to establish superiority over Leighton Alfred of Wales. Alfred won the opening set on a tie break before Bates took control and won 6-7, 6-2, 6-2.

MEN'S SINGLES, 1st Rnd.—S. Youl (Australia) bt M. Walker 6-4, 6-2; R. Drysdale bt L. Morris (Australia) 7-5, 6-4; N. Fulwood bt M. Kratzmann (Australia) 3-6, 6-3, 6-1; S. Belfield bt P. Russell 6-0, 6-3; P. Lundgren (Sweden) bt M. Robinson 6-2, 6-0; C. Allgardh (Sweden) bt L. Rusinek (US) 6-1, 6-3.

M. Baroch (Australia) bt J. Goodall 7-6, 6-2; M. Christensen (Denmark) bt D. Imonite (Nigeria) 6-2, 6-3; M. Blincow bt D. Howell (US) 1-6, 6-4, 6-2; B. Custer (Australia) bt P. Flynn (Australia) 6-4, 6-3; D. Stone (US) bt D. Felgate 2-6, 7-6, 6-3; P. Johnston (Australia) bt M. Bellini (Italy) 6-7, 7-6, 6-3.

P. Moraing (W. Germany) bt A. Brice 6-3, 6-2; B. Knapp bt I. Turner 6-3, 6-2; P. Hughesman bt R. Whichello 6-1, 6-3; J. Bates bt L. Alfred 6-7, 6-2, 6-2.

WOMEN'S SINGLES, 1st Rnd.—M. Mendez (Argentina) bt M. Drouvoters (Belgium) 6-3, 3-1, rtd; J. Wood bt D. Hansel (US) 6-4, 7-5; E. Folcher (France) bt H. Mansel (US) 6-4, 6-2; D. Moise (Rumania) bt R. Borneo 6-3, 6-2.

K. Okamoto (Japan) bt S. Mair 6-4, 2-6, 9-7; E. Ekblom (Sweden) bt N. Lusty 6-1, 6-1; J. Louis bt H. H. Olsson (Sweden) 6-3, 6-4.

A. K. Olsson (Sweden) bt I. Cordo (France) 7-5, 7-5; K. Karlsson (Sweden) bt C. Sullivan 6-4, 5-7, 8-6; D. van Rensburg (S. Africa) bt B. Fulco (Argentina) 6-1, 7-6; J. Tacon bt E. Reinach (S. Africa) 6-2, 6-2; L. Pennington bt L. Gracie 7-5, 3-6, 6-3; E. Wattser (W. Germany) bt A. Gulley (Australia) 6-4, 6-2.

F. Kranf (Switzerland) bt H. Nakazaka (Japan) 7-6, 5-7, 6-3; A. Blork (Sweden) bt M. Reinhardt (W. Germany) 5-6, 6-3, 6-4.

W T A T'MENT OF CHAMPIONS (Lake Buena Vista, Florida).—1st Rd: K. Maleeva (Bulgaria) bt N. Dias (Brazil) 6-1, 6-2; A.-M. Cecchini (Italy) bt M. Paz (Argentina) 4-6, 7-6, 6-2; D. Spence bt O. Tsarbopoulou (Greece) 6-2, 6-1.

VIRGINIA SLIMS T'MENT (San Diego).—1st rnd: B. Nagelsen (Australia) bt C. Vanier (France) 6-0, 6-1; A. Henricksson bt K. Cummings 6-4, 6-2; M. Lou Piatek bt P. Medrado (Brazil) 6-2, 6-4.

European Soccer

LIVERPOOL NEED TO KEEP COOL IN GREECE

By MICHAEL CALVIN in Athens

LIVERPOOL, *who are on the threshold of* their fifth European Cup final, will attempt to defuse a potentially explosive situation with discipline and diplomacy in the concrete bowl of the Olympic Stadium in Athens tonight.

When they arrived in Greece last night to defend *a 4-0 semi-final first leg lead against* Panathinaikos, Liverpool were gratified to discover that Jacek Gmoch, *Polish manager* of the Greek champions, had *apparently* failed in his attempt to inflame a volatile football public.

The armed police assigned to guard the team at the airport looked as out-of-place as a squad of secret service agents at a children's birthday party; instead of the anticipated hail of insults and missiles, players merely had to fend off excited autograph hunters.

Mr Gmoch's widely reported desire for "revenge" has made Joe Fagan, Liverpool's wily manager, behave like a highly-professional Foreign Office official.

He was tact personified when asked about his club's supposed influence with referees and, in the relative calm of the team's headquarters, he explained with a smile: "We have learned to take *the flak.*"

Positive response

Liverpool's positive response to pressurised situations has been one of the major factors in their European success. As Mark Lawrenson, likely to play in midfield before a capacity 80,000 crowd, reflected. "The more hostility we expect, the more we are fired up to do the job."

Yet John Wark, whose mother-in-law is Greek, admitted he was unnerved when he was pelted with stones and plastic bags filled with urine when he played for Ipswich in Salonika.

The Panathinaikos players are notoriously violent. They were involved in a brawl in a restaurant after a recent match in Crete and last Sunday fought opponents after a 1-1 home draw, which effectively ended their chances of retaining the *Greek league title.*

Coisequently, it would be naive to expect their supporters *to watch with meek reverence* as their side, strengthened by the return of Tarasis after suspension, attempt to defy one of the most *enduring traditions* in European club football.

Liverpool have not lost by *more than* three goals in Continental matches since they were beaten 5-1 by Ajax in Amsterdam on Dec. 7, 1966.

Biggest danger

Logic suggests they have sufficient reserves of resilience to survive. Yet with Hansen, Dalglish, Whelan, MacDonald, Johnston and Rush all a booking away from being suspended from the final, the most immediate danger is that players will be carried away by the highly-charged atmosphere.

The emotion of the occasion will place an extra strain on Adolph Prokop, the well-respected East German referee, and *Mr Fagan stressed:* "We must show commonsense."

Ian Rush, whose knee is proving troublesome, and Alan Kennedy are almost certain not to play. Gary Gillespie will play alongside Hansen, if, as expected, he recovers from an ankle injury.

Phil Neal will play with a *broken nose, and Paul Walsh is* resigned to a punishing solitary struggle up front. But, as ever, the most important indication of Liverpool's chances is that the team has a clear appreciation of what is required.

In such circumstances, they rarely fail.

Panathinaikos. — Laftsis; Tarasis, Kerosiias, Kyrsaas, *Zalac*, Dontas, Sarevakos, Antoniou, Mavridis, Rocha, Dimopoulos.

Liverpool.—Grobbelaar; Neal, Gillespie, Hansen, Beglin, Nicol, Lawrenson, Wark, Whelan, Dalglish, Walsh.

Ian Andrews, Leicester's goalkeeper . . . beaten by Alan Sunderland and Mick D'Avray in the first half at Portman Road last night.

STAINROD LEADS THE WAY

By DEREK HODGSON

Sheffield Wed. 3, Q P R 1

A GOAL just before half-time by Simon Stainrod set Wednesday on a winning path against Q P R at Hillsborough last night and strengthened the Yorkshire club's hope of European football next season.

Mike Fillery put Rangers level after 56 minutes but a Brian Marwood penalty and an 89th minute goal by Andy Blair settled matters in Wednesday's favour.

Tearaway Wednesday forced a corner in the opening minute and a second followed *immediately.*

Worthington mad two raking lft-wing runs but on both occasions failed to release the ball before Rangers had regrouped.

Bannister's pace continually *disconcrted his former team* mates, who, pressing forward in their familiar style, produced a great deal of dash and distraction but little danger for Hucker.

Wednesday's best effort was a deflected shot from Shelton, the *ball dipping just over the bar.* Just before the interval, from Wednsday's eighth corner, Stainrod scored from close in.

Sheffield Wednesday: Hodge; Shirtliff, Morris, Smith, Lyons, Worthington, Marwood, Blair, Stainrod, Chapman, Shelton.

Q P R: Hucker; Chivers, Dawes, Waddock, James, Fenwick, McDonald, Fillery, Bannister, Gregory, Allen.

BLACKBURN SLIP

Crystal Palace, who denied Portsmouth's chances of promotion on Saturday, handed like treatment to Blackburn when they beat them with an Alan *Irvine goal three minutes into* the second half. Micky Droy was the main stumbling block for Rovers attack.

Ipswich move away from relegation

By DONALD SAUNDERS

Ipswich ... 2, Leicester ... 0

IPSWICH moved further away from relegation trouble at Portman Road last night, climbing three places, to settle above neighbouring Norwich, with a workmanlike performance that *brought them hard-earned* victory over Leicester.

Victory at Tottenham last Saturday had clearly given Ipswich's morale a timely lift.

Within five minutes their confidence soared still higher, when they moved in front with a simple but well-taken goal.

Brennan's free kick from the left was nodded on by Steggles to the unmarked Sunderland, *who beat Andrews with a firm* shot.

This bright start persuaded Ipswich there were more goals for the taking. ith Brennan and Gates working smoothly in midfield, they repeatedly drove *forward.*

Butcher clears

Leicester, still with relegation worries, were not prepared, however, to let them through without *a struggle. After clearing a shot* from Butcher off the line, they made their opponents work hard

Moreover, Leicester launched occasional counter-attacks, one of which ended with Williams having a fierce shot well saved by Cooper.

Ipswich refused to be denied, and, just before the end of an entertaining first half, they increased their lead. This time Parkins' low cross was driven *home* by D'Avray.

Leicester would not accept that defeat was inevitable, and they came close to halving their deficit with determined efforts.

Cooper had *a* race off *his line* to snatch the ball off Smith's feet just before the break. Then, in the 48th minute, a shot from Lynex scraped along the bar.

Hard-working Peake

This encouraged Leicester to move forward with greater purpose as the second half developed. With Ian Wilson and Peake working hard they began to wrest control from Gates and *his colleagues.*

With better finishing, Peake and Smith might have narrowed *the gap. In general,* however, Ipswich's defence held firm, with Butcher allowing his new England colleague, Lineker, few opportunities.

In the 75th minute Leicester replaced Peake with Ramsey but although Lineker managed to slip away from Butcher twice, Cooper was there to save.

Ipswich. — *Cooper; Barley,* Gernon, Zondervan, Steggles, Butcher, Sunderland, Brennan, D'Avray, Parkin, Gates.

Leicester.—Andrews; Feeley, I. Wilson, Smith, Williams, O'Neill, Lynex, Lineker, Smith, Peake, Banks.

Gray and Sheedy lift Everton hopes

By DENIS LOWE

TREBLE-SEEKING Everton, who tonight switch their attentions to the European Cup-Winners Cup, look to Andy Gray and Kevin Sheedy, who both missed the *scoreless first leg,* to lead a victory charge against Bayern Munich in the semi-final return tie at Goodison Park.

"It's very important for us to have Gray and Sheedy in the team *for what is the biggest* European match in Everton's history," said Howard Kendall, *the manager.* "We aim *to earn* an even bigger match by going through to the Rotterdam final.

"There are not many strikers like Andy around, and everyone who saw the match will *remember how he destroyed* Sittard in the last round—but we need to get a quality service to him and Graeme Sharp.

"That's why we are looking for tremendous contributions from Sheedy and Trevor Steven in midfield. It has taken Sheedy a little time to get over his recent ankle injury but he has *looked much stronger in the last* two games."

Mountfield back

Everton, who need only three victories to make certain of their first League championship in 15 years, welcome back Derek Mountfield, their central defender, who has missed two *matches since damaging knee* ligaments in the F A Cup semi-final win over Luton.

Kendall *expects* Bayern, mindful of the away goals ruling, to exploit the pace of Ludwig Kohl, 19, and the recalled Rowland *Wohlfarth, and try for a goal* on the break.

Everton are now unbeaten in *23 matches in all competitions* since Christmas, and despite the team's challenge for the treble, Kendall maintains that pressure is not a problem for his talented squad.

Everton.—Southall; Stevens, Van den Hauwe, Ratcliffe, Mountfield, Reid, Steven, Sharp, Gray, Bracewell, Sheedy. Subs: Arnold, Harper, Atkins, Richardson, Wakenshaw.

Referee.—E. Frederiksson (Sweden).

BANGOR IN EUROPE

Newport ... 0 Bangor ... 0
(Bangor win 1-0 on agg.)

Non-League Bangor held Newport to a goalless draw in the Welsh Cup semi-final last night because of their one-goal advan*tage from the first leg,* and will represent Wales in the European Cup Winners' Cup next season. Bangor will meet English club Shrewsbury in the final.

OTHER RESULTS

SOUTHERN LGE.—Prem. Divi Crawley 1, Fisher 1.

GOLA LGE.—Barnet 4, Worcester 0—Bath 1, Yeovil 0—Dartford 3, Dagenham 0—Enfield 0, Telford 0.

FOOTBALL COMB.—Arsenal 3, Oxford Utd 0—Bristol Rov 0, C. Palace 2—Charlton 2, Fulham 3—Portsmouth 1, Birmingham 0 (at Birmingham)—Swindon 0, Swansea 1—Watford 3, Norwich 2—West Ham 0, Brighton 0.

WELSH CUP.—Semi-final, 2nd Leg: Newport Co 0, Bangor City 0 (Bangor win 1-0 on agg.).

GREAT MILLS WESTERN LGE. — Prem. Divi Bristol Manor Farm 3, Exmouth 1—Melksham 2, Mangotsfield 0—Weston-s-Mare 4, Chippenham 1.

NORTHERN PREM. LGE.—Chorley 0, Oswestry 1—Gainsborough 1, Morecambe 1—S. Liverpool 2, Goole 0—Southport 2, Worksop 1.

CENTRAL LGE.—Div. 1: Huddersfield 3, Everton 1—Newcastle 2, Stoke 2.

DIV. 2: Blackpool 1, Leeds 4—Sunderland 0, Bolton 3—Wolverhampton 4, Portvale 0.

RUGBY UNION. — Neath 40, Glamorgan Wand. 3.

Cornwall Cup, Final: Camborne 11, St Ives 10.

British Police Cup, Final: Royal Ulster Constabulary 42, Merseyside Police 0 (Merl-s).

RUGBY LEAGUE. — Slalom Lager Ch'ship: Barrow 14, Wigan 28 — Bradford N 26, Hull 22—Hull K 10, Widnes 32—Leigh 24, Castleford 24.

MONDAY'S LATE RESULTS

FA YOUTH CUP. — Semi-final, 2nd Leg: Watford 2, Barnsley 2 (Watford win 4-3 on agg. & meet Newcastle in 2-l-g final).

SOUTHERN LGE.—Prem. Divi Chelmsford 0, Folkestone 0—Corby 2, Crawley 0—Fareham 1, Gloucester 1 (aban'd 1, Southampton 0—Witney 3, Willenhall 0.

CENTRAL LGE.—Div. 1: Bradford 0, Newcastle 1—Liverpool 3, Coventry 0—Nott'm Forest 2, WBA 0. Postponed: Sheffld Utd v Barnsley. Div. II: Hull 0, Sunderland 0—Leicester 1, Grimsby 1—Middlesbrough 2, Wigan 3.

TODAY'S SOCCER FIXTURES

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated.

EUROPEAN CUP—Semi-final
Second Leg

Panathinaikos v Liverpool (6 p.m. B.S.T.) (Liverpool lead 4-0)

CUP-WINNERS' CUP
Semi-final, 2nd Leg

Everton v Bayern Munich (1st Leg 0-0)

CANON LEAGUE—Div. I

Aston Villa v Watford
Luton v Nottm F. (7.45)
Manchester U. v Southampton
Stoke v Norwich
W. Bromwich v Sunderland

DIVISION II

Oxford v Shrewsbury

DIVISION III

Lincoln v Doncaster
Reading v Plymouth

DIVISION IV

Hereford v Crewe
Mansfield v Scunthorpe
SCOTTISH LGE.—Div. 1: Motherwell v St Johnstone.
SMIRNOFF IRISH LGE.—Bangor v Distillery (6.45).

FOOTBALL COMB.—Chelsea v QPR (2.15); Ipswich v Luton (2.15); Millwall v Tottenham (2).

CENTRAL LGE (7 p.m.).—Div. 1: Blackburn v Notts Co; Coventry v Manchester Utd. Derby v W. Bromwich. Nottingham F. v Barnsley. Div. 2: Scunthorpe v Rotherham (7.30); Wigan v Oldham (7.30); York v Preston. Postponed: Doncaster v Hull.

GOLA LGE.—Bob Lord Trophy, Final, 1st Leg: Maidstone v Runcorn.

SOUTHERN LGE.—Prem. Div: Alvechurch v Bedworth; Cheltenham v R S Southampton; King's Lynn v A P Leamington; Welling v Shepshed; Willenhall v Fisher. Southern Div: Dover v Addlestone.

NORTHERN PREM. LGE.—Burton v Stafford; Rhyl v Mossley.

GREAT MILLS WESTERN LGE.—Prem. Div: Clandown v Shepton Mallet (7.45).

TESTIMONIAL. — Jimmy Giles: Exeter City v All-Star XI.

E. COUNTIES LGE.—Brantham v Burr; Clacton v Haverhill; Newmarket v Braintree; Stowmarket v Soham; Thetford v Gorleston.

CENTNARY MATCH.—*H. Hempstead v Harlow Lge XI.*

SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LGE.—Div. 1: Chesham v Farnborough.

LONDON SPARTAN LGE.—Prem. Div: Collier Row v Dunton; Edgware v Amersham.

HELLENIC LGE.—Prem. Div. (6.30): Abingdon Utd: Worth. M. v Thame; Supermarine v Clanfield; Shrivenham v Marston; Wantage v Sharpness.

NAAFI JUBILEE CUP.—C T C Royal Marines, Lympstone v 1st Bn King's Regt, Chester (Lympstone, Devon, 3).

SCHOOLS.—E S F A Gillette Trophy, Qu'-final Replay: Merton v Wigan (Wimbledon F C, 7).

FRENCH IN COMMAND

Shooting

FRANCE dominated the first day of the fourth World Air Rifle championships yesterday, taking four gold medals for the main and junior events. The USSR took the women's title.

Philippe Heberle, 22, the 1984 *Olympic air rifle champion,* took the air rifle individual title with 588.

France also won the team title with 1,752 points, followed by Yugoslavia on 1,746 and West Germany on 1,745.

Michel Escoffier won the junior title with 578, followed by another French boy, Franck Badiov with 574.

The Soviet Union swept the women's air pistol event. Marina Dobranchova *won with 384 and* Irina Aschokova was second with 381.

INDIVIDUAL. — 588 P. Heberle (France) 96, 99, 97, 99, 93, 99. 1: 587 D. Suess (W. Germany) 98, 93, 97, 99, 98, 97, 2: 585 A. Kronthaler (Austria) 99, 94, 98, 96, 98, 95. 3: 584 V. Zelenko (USSR) 98, 95, 95, 98, 98, 98. 4, = *Jerko (Yugoslavia)* 95, 96, 93, 97, 99, 97. 5.

Team.—France: 1752. 1: Yugoslavia, 1746. 3: West Germany, 1745. 5.

JUNIOR AIR RIFLE. — 578 M. Escoffier (France) 96, 98, 97, 99, 95, 97. 1: 574 *Badiov (France)* 95, 94, 98, 97, 97, 93. 3: T. Hiemeleta (Finland) 96, 96, 97, 93, 98, 98. 2, eq.

WOMEN AIR PISTOL.—384 M. Dobranchova (USSR) 98, 95, 93, 98. 1: 381 I. Aschokova (USSR) 92, 96, 95, 98. 3: 379 M. Karlsson (Sweden) 91, 97, 95, 96. 3: 376 E. Tarlea (Romania) 94, 95, 95, 94. 4: L. Thom (Canada) 94, 95, 94, 95. 5.

VAUGHAN AND FORD STRIKE

Cardiff ... 3, Barnsley ... 0

Two goals from Nigel *Vaughan, their Welsh international* midfield player, broke Cardiff City's run of four con*secutive home defeats* and set them on their way to their biggest win at Ninian Park this *season.*

After a poor start in which Cardiff had been inept in front of goal the game burst into life with two goals in four minutes.

Meacock's mis-hit shot flew across the face of the goal and was met at *the unguarded far* post by Vaughan, who headed his 15th goal of the season.

Midfield man Ford gave Cardiff fans further cause to celebrate as he sent a 25-yard left-footed shot screaming past the helpless *Baker to register his first goal* for the club.

City maintained their pressure in the second half and, showing morec omposure, created more chances. An Elsey cross was headed narrowly wide by Ford and Withey also *went close.*

After Withey and Meacock had forced saves out of Baker, and Owen had made Plumley move smartly in the home goal, Vaughan rounded off a splendid night for City with a second goal *after a weak back-pass by Paul* Futcher.

Cardiff City.—Plumley; Ring, Ehey, Gibbins, Ford, Tong, Bodin, Meacock, *Vaughan, Withey, Hamilton. Sub:* Saunders.

Barnsley. — Baker; Joyce, Law, Goodison, May, Futcher P., Owen, Thomas, Plummer, Wylde, Gray. Sub: R. Futcher.

'Cast-off' Langan reaps his reward

By ROGER MALONE

DAVID LANGAN'S remarkable comeback from crippling knee and spinal injuries this season took a major step forward yesterday when the Oxford *right-back* was recalled to the Republic of Ireland's World Cup squad.

Langan, 28, a former Derby and Birmingham player, had been out of action for 18 months when this season dawned. After three knee operations and surgery for spinal fusion, his sporting future looked grim, and Birmingham gave him a free transfer.

"But Jim Smith, the Oxford *manager, came along with the* offer of a three-month trial to see if I could stand up to League football again," recalled Langan last night.

Mr Smith's intuitive gamble succeeded, because with Langan a regular, outstanding performer in the club's promotion march and missing only one game with *injury, the manager was able to* say of the Irishman last night: "He has been the best full-back I have seen in the Second Division this season."

Satisfying news

When I informed Langan of his international recall, after more than three years since his *14th cap,* he was overjoyed, saying: "I thought I was finished as an international, but this news just makes my comeback season even *more satisfying.*"

Does Langan have fitness problems for tonight's match in which victory against Shrewsbury would clinch Oxford's first-ever place in Division One, I asked him?

"Only a broken toe from Saturday's win. That's no problem after the injuries I've come through," he answered, taking his place in an unchanged team.

Daly recall

The Republic also recall Gerry Daly, Birmingham's midfielder, *and striker Mick Walsh (Porto)* for the qualifying match against Norway in Dublin one week tonight.

Exeter's struggling season in Division Four has led to Jim Ilev's becoming their second *manager in 12 months to leave* the club. He succeeded Gerry Francis last summer.

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND (Squad v. Norway at Dublin, May 1).—McDonagh (Gillingham), Bonner (Celtic), Lawrence (Oxford), O'Leary (Arsenal), McCarthy (Man Utd), Lawrenson (Liverpool), McGrath (Man Utd), Stapleton (L'verpool), Whelan (Liverpool), Daly (Birmingham), Waddock (Q P R), Grealish (W B A), Brady (Inter-Milan), Sheedy (Everton), Stapleton (Man Utd), Byrne (Q P R), Walsh (Porto), Galvin (Tottenham).

WEST HAM TARGET

West Ham have confirmed their interest in Manuel Sanchez Torres, the Spanish midfield player now with the Dutch club, F C Twente. Manager John Lyall said yesterday: "I have *watched him, and he is a good,* capable player, but he is only one of a number of players we are having checked."

BASEBALL

AMERICAN League.—Cleveland 6, Detroit 4—Kansas 2, Toronto 0—Texas 6, Baltimore 1—Milwaukee 4, Chicago White Sox 2—Minnesota Twins 9, Seattle 4—California 6, Oakland 1.

NAT. LGE.—Philadelphia 9, Montreal 1—Pittsburgh 5, Chicago Cubs 3—Houston 4, Cincinnati 1—New York Mets 7, St Louis 6—San Diego 5, Atlanta 3—Los Angeles 5, San Fran cisco 2.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

CANON LEAGUE—Div I

Ipswich (2) 2 **Leicester** (0) 0
Sunderland, D'Avray —15,666

Sheffiel Wed. (1) 3 **QPR** (0) 1
Staonrod, Marwood, Blair; Fillery —22,394

DIVISION II

Blackburn (0) 0 **C. Palace** (0) 1
—9,725 Irvine

Cardiff (2) 3 **Barnsley** (0) 0
Vaughan 2, Ford —3,044

DIVISION III

Brentford (0) 3 **Rotherham** (0) 0
G. Roberts 2, Cassells —5,019

Bristol R (0) 0 **Walsall** (0) 0
—4,040

Burnley (0) 0 **Derby** (1) 1
—3,484 Christie

Cambridge (0) 0 **Bradford** (0) 4
Hawley 2, Campbell 2
—1,941

Preston (0) 1 **Hull** (1) 4
Gibson; Flounders, McEwan pen, Roberts, Massey
—4,636

WIGAN (0) 2 **BRISTOL C.** (1) 2
Bennett, S. Walsh; Johnson, A. Walsh pen.
—2,425

DIVISION IV

Aldershot (0) 1 *Colchester* (0) 0
McDonald —1,624

Bury (0) 4 **Chester** (0) 1
Ross pen, White, James, Pashley; Walker pen.
—2,703

Halifax (1) 2 **Stockport** (1) 1
Lowe, Ward; Sword, pen.
—1,231

Northmptn (1) 3 **Darlington** (0) 1
Thomoson, Benjamin; Lloyd
—1,178

Southend (0) 0 **Chesterfield** (0) 1
—1,464 Newton

Wrexham (0) 2 **Rochdale** (0) 0
Charles, Keav
—1,155

FREIGHT ROVER TROPHY
—Quarter-final

Orient (2) 4 **Millwall** (0) 2
Jurryett 2, Crooks, Cornwell; Mutton, Ruddock pen
—1,647
Winners home to Bristol City *or* Newport

SCOTTISH LGE.—Div. 2: Alloa 0, Berwick 0—Dunfermline 2, Raith 3—Montrose 0, Albion Rov. 0.

SMIRNOFF IRISH LGE.—Coleraine 1, Cliftonville 2—Linfield 1, Portadown 0—Ards 1, Ards 1.

Rugby Union

LEWIS RECOVERS

Ted Lewis, the London Welsh second row forward, has recovered from a broken nose sustained at Newport on the Easter tour, and joins a full-strength Exiles' side to play Bath, the holders, in the John Player Cup final at Twickenham on Saturday.

Yachting

BRITONS BACK AT SCHOOL

By TONY FAIRCHILD
in Hyeres

FOR most of the 24-strong British squad, the Regatta at Hyeres for the Olympic yachting classes is their first international meeting. They have come *to learn,* and, yesterday, they did just that.

In the lighter breezes and calmer seas—and more like the sunshine expected in southern France—it was crews from the other 24 nations who dominated the third days' racing.

And, again, the established crews, the Russians Oleg Khoperski (Finn) and Boris Budnikov (Soling), the West German Albert Batzill (Flying Dutchman), and Frenchman *Thierry Peponnet* (470) who led home their fleets.

Impressively, too, it was Herve Piegelin and Gildas Guilleret, of France, who were first and third for the second successive day in the Board event.

Premature start

But, as well as the disappointments — Stuart *Childerley* disqualified for a premature Finn start, Kevin Sproul down to 35rd *in the* 470s after a ninth and a sixth, and Barrie Edgington, 41st in the Board event — there were British rewards.

Roger Yeoman, in his first international Flying Dutchman event, was a most-creditable 15th *in a fleet of 32,* while Nicholas Burgin, in only his second major-Finn meeting, was eighth.

Burgin, a post-graduate in Ship Science at Southampton, is sailing Roddy Bridge's second boat, while Yeoman, formerly a leading *International 14 sailor,* has the highly-experienced Hugh Myers as his crew.

Only the more experienced British Tornado helmsmen, Robert White and Ian Gray, made any real impression: White with a fourth and 11th, and Gray with an eighth and sixth as the Catamaran Class raced twice to get back on schedule.

PROVISIONAL RESULTS

3RD RACE. — 470s: T. Peponnet (France), 1; R. Rudiaff (E. Germany), 2; A. Mora (Italy), 3. Best British: 1, Brewer, 22; D. Smithwhite, 25; R. Boardman, 27.

Finns.—O. Khoperski (USSR), 1; F. Butmann (E. Germany), 2; R. Van Manen (Holland), 3. British: N. Burgin, 8; J. Greenwood, 15.

Solings. — B. Budnikov (USSR), 1; S. Santoni (Italy) 2; T. Jungblut (West Germany), 3.

Flying Dutchmen. — A. Batzill (W. Germany), 1; G. Sommariva (Italy), 2; B. Borowski (East Germany), 3. British: R. Yeoman, 15.

Boards.—H. Piegelin (France), 1; R. Nacy (France), 2; G. Guilleret (France), 3. British: B. Edgington, 31; S. Priestley, 41.

TORNADOS.—2nd Race: W. Van Bladel (Holland), 1; C. Christian (Austria), 2; N. Petschel (Austria), 3. British: 1, Gray, 9; R. White, 11.

3rd Race: G. Magnusson (Sweden) 1; Van Bladel, 2; J. Wolf (West Germany), 3, White, 4; Gray, 6.

FOUR OF FIVE FOR JACOBITE

By A Special Correspondent

With one race in the Lymington spring series cancelled celled because of gales, the organisers have decided that four-out-of-five week-ends will count, and Jacobite achieved the four victories needed to become the Class One overall winner.

Organised jointly by the Royal Lymington and Lymington Town, the series produced some keen racing.

Martin Gibson's new Admiral's Cup contender, Pocket Battleship made three indifferent appearances.

Wrong course

The first was won by a commanding six-and-a-half minute lead: but she took the wrong *course in the second, and was* over the line at the start of the third.

In the final weekend's racing, Airways was deprived of third place in Class One after a protest.

CLASS 1: Jacobite (S. James), 1; Icebird of Mylor (P. & S. Nicholson), 2; Protem (J. Bradney), 3.

CLASS 2: Lacewing (B. Mead), 1; Polyhymnia (A. Van Tijn), 2; Nandina (S. Fein), 3.

CLASS 3: Just Enuff (A. Roberts & Dr Arnold), 1; Hot Japa (M. Urwin & R. Darley), 2; Endeavour (J. Warren), 3.

CLASS 4: Three Cheers (B. Siemens) 1; Icebreaker (R. Hawkes), 2; Nazca (J. Filsell), 3.

CLASS 5: Larkspur (R. Thornton), 1; Sea Strider (A. Salafton), 2; Maren (P. Nuding), 3.

Hockey

COACHING AT ALL LEVELS

By A Special Correspondent

COACHING at all levels for the next three years is covered in a new sponsorship deal announced yesterday between the Hockey Association and C. E. Heath and Co. (U K) Ltd. an insurance broking company.

In particular, it will benefit young players with international potential, who will be invited to attend residential assessment and training courses, to be known as the Heath Schools of Hockey.

Yesterday, the H A also announced it had asked its disciplinary review committee, under the chairmanship of Bill *Murray, to urgently look at* several problems causing concern. The committee would not normally meet until the end of the 1985-86 season.

The committee will be endeavouring to arrive at an agreement with United Kingdom national associations for a common code across boundaries, to ensure similar *treatment for players* sent off in games involving clubs from different associations.

England's Under-21 squad—as part of their preparations for the Junior World Cup, in Vancouver in August — will be touring Europe between July 12 and 20, playing two internationals each, against France and West Germany.

SPEEDWAY

NAT LGE KO CUP.—1st Rd, 1st Leg: Poole 38 (K. Smith 12), Wimbledon 40 (M. Ferreira 13).

OTHER SPORT TODAY

ATHLETICS.—S L A A A v U L A C v C. Service v Loughborough (C. Palace N S Ch); Cogenhall Open Graded Min.

LAWN TENNIS.—Men's Satellite T'ment (Queen's Club, London); Peterborough T'ment.

SNOOKER.—Embassy World Pro. Ch'ship (Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, 3, & 7.30).

SPEEDWAY.—K O Cup: Wimbledon v Poole (7.45). National: Lge: Long Eaton v Berwick (7.30).

World Snooker Championship

Davis and Taylor reach semi-finals

By JANICE HALE

STEVE DAVIS, attempting to win a hat-trick of titles, yesterday reached the semi-finals of the Embassy World Snooker Championship by beating Terry Griffiths 13-6 at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield.

After winning the United Kingdom Open in December, Davis's psychological dominance over other players was eroded as he lost to Willie Thorne, Alex Higgins (twice) and Kirk Stevens. But he has gradually lifted his game, as this championship has *progressed.*

Griffiths, world champion at his first attempt six years ago, won the first four frames of the match, but was never again in contention as Davis levelled and pulled away.

Dropping only two more frames, Davis displayed the sure*ness of touch in seizing frame-*winning opportunities that always characterises his performances.

Both his break-making and his safety play were impeccable as, from 10-6 overnight, he took the first three frames yesterday with breaks of 84, 31, 55 and 48 while allowing Griffiths to score only *28 points.*

Taylor through

Dennis Taylor, the Irish champion, reached the semi-finals for the fifth time at the expense of Cliff Thorburn, the 1980 champion, who has always capitalised on his endless patience and stamina.

Taylor felt he had no alternative but to match Thorburn at *that style of game and his* 13-5 *victory took* 10 hours 40 minutes in total. The middle session, on Monday evening, did not finish until 1.22 a.m. yesterday.

But Taylor had mentally prepared himself to go on for as *long as it took.* He slept on a 10-5 lead and clinched his semi-final place by taking the first *three frames of the final* session, the last with a break of 70 — the highest of the match.

Both Taylor and Davis were still awaiting the outcome of the remaining two 25-frame quarter-finals. In Taylor's half, Tony Knowles, the No 2 seed, led Jimmy White — whom Davis beat only 18-16 in last year's final — 5-5 overnight, and was still two frames in front after the second session.

Four times White pulled up to only one frame behind, before Knowles took the last frame of the session with a break of 80 to lead 9-7.

The details

QTR-FINALS. — S. Davis bt T. Griffiths (Wales) 13-6. Frames: 47-31, 46-71, 31-74, 0-84, 60-39, 75-14, 71-41, 80-20, 64-12, 77-18, 14-61, 79-46, 75-3, 72-17, 13-98, 68-1, 84-6, 92-20, 69-2.

Dennis Taylor (N. Ireland) bt C. Thorburn (Canada) 13-5. Frames: 66-46, 80-33, 66-32, 55-45, 15-90, 35-55, 25-86, 72-39, 67-19, 58-64, 77-48, 57-77, 52-56, 55-25, 98-30, 56-18, 67-13, 76-0.

A. Knowles leads J. White 9-7. Frames: 41-74, 71-47, 76-45, 82-12, 41-69, 10-48, 137-0, 1-114, 10-62, 68-22, 57-70, 71-46, 55-65, 68-41, 14-82, 80-0.

J. Parrott leads R. Reardon (Wales) 9-7. Frames: 59-49, 88-3, 56-32, 70-26, 0-85, 86-28, 28-51, 21-65, 78-16, 113-7, 52-69, 4-66, 123-13, 105-10, 1-69, 42-59.

TODAY'S ORDER OF PLAY.—Semi-finals (31 frames), 1st sessions: 2-00, Davis v Parrott or Reardon, 7.30, Taylor v Knowles or White.

Swimming

GILLINGHAM IN ENGLAND SQUAD

By PAT BESFORD

Nick Gillingham, from Birmingham, bronze-medallist in the National Short Court 100 and 200 metre breast-stroke championships *this month,* has been named in a new England intermediate squad.

The selection of this small group of under 20-year-olds follows the example of Scotland who started their intermediate experience scheme last year. The only difference is that England offer just one fixture in Yugoslavia, in July. The squad is:

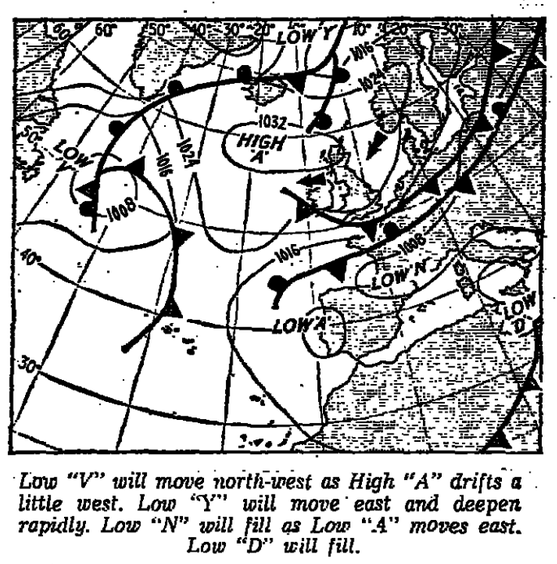
MEN: D. Duke (Walsall), N. Gillingham (Perry Beeches), R. Greenwood (Leeds), R. Lee (Portsmouth Southsea), A. Quinn (Manchester).

WOMEN: H. Day (Bracknell), H. Walsh (Millfield).

ICE HOCKEY

WORLD CH'SHIPS (Pragues).—E. Germany 4, Finland 4 — Canada 4, Czechoslovakia 4.

ATLANTIC WEATHER—Noon April 23



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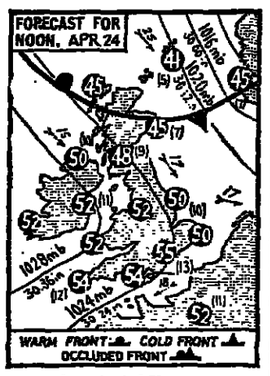

Issued at 6.30 p.m.

Black circles show temperatures expected in Fahrenheit. The equivalent temperature in Centigrade is given *alongside* in brackets. Arrows indicate wind direction and speed in m.p.h. Pressures in millibars and inches.

HOME AND ABROAD

Ajaccio	s	64	18	Lisbon	r	48	9
Akrotiri	f	68	20	Locarno	s	64	18
Alexndria	s	72	22	London	f	48	9
Algiers	s	70	21	*L. Angels*	f	62	17
Amstrdm	c	46	8	Luxembrg	s	50	10
Ascension	s	82	28	Luxor	s	82	28
Athens	f	66	19	Madrid	c	54	12
Bahrain	s	80	22	*Majorca*	f	66	19
Barcelna	f	61	16	Malaga	f	63	17
Beirut	s	68	20	Malta	f	68	20
Belfast	c	46	8	Manchstr	f	46	8
Belgrade	s	70	21	Melbo'rne	s	66	19
Berlin	c	46	8	*Mexico C*	s	75	24
*Bermuda	s	72	22	Miami	c	80	27
Biarritz	f	48	9	Milan	s	66	19
Birmghm	c	45	7	Montreal	s	57	14
Blackpool	f	46	8	Moscow	c	43	7
Bordeaux	c	61	16	Munich	f	57	14
*Boston	c	46	8	Nairobi	f	73	23
Boulogne	c	43	6	Newcastle	c	45	7
Bristol	c	45	7	N. Delhi	s	99	37
Brussels	c	46	8	New York	c	60	16
Budapest	s	70	21	Nice	s	64	18
*B. Aires	c	68	20	Oporto	c	55	13
Cairo	s	75	24	Oslo	s	45	7
Cape Tn	f	66	19	Paris	c	52	11
Cardiff	c	45	7	Peking	s	70	21
Casablnca	c	63	17	Perth	s	81	27
Cologne	c	46	8	P. Stanley	s	52	11
Copnhgn	sn	36	2	Prague	f	55	13
*Chicago	c	79	26	Reykjvik	fg	45	7
Corfu	f	63	17	Rhodes	s	68	20
*Dallas	fh	61	16	*R de Jan	s	77	25
*Denver	r	43	6	Riyadh	f	86	30
Dublin	c	46	8	Rome	c	61	16
Dubrvnik	f	63	17	*Salzburg*	f	63	17
Edinbrgh	f	46	8	*S. Frisco	s	61	16
Faro	c	57	14	*Santiago	s	77	25
Frankfurt	f	57	14	*S. Paulo	c	73	23
Funchal	c	61	16	Seoul	c	50	10
Geneva	s	63	17	Stockhlm	f	29	4
Gibraltar	f	63	17	Strasburg	c	57	14
Glasgow	f	48	9	Sydney	c	63	17
Guernsey	c	48	9	Tangier	c	61	16
Helsinki	f	39	4	Tenerife	f	72	22
Hongkong	s	79	26	Tokyo	s	70	21
Innsbrck	c	57	14	Toronto	s	63	20
Inverness	f	45	7	Tunis	f	64	18
I. of Man	s	48	9	Valencia	s	68	20

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TELEVISION

WEDNESDAY GUIDE BY PETER KNIGHT

BBC-1

6 50 a.m.-9.20 **BREAKFAST TIME**, with Frank Bough and Mike Smith. 10.30 Play School. 10.50-11.15 Gharbar.

12 30 **NEWS, WEATHER.** 1.00 Regional News (London and South East only: Financial Report and News Headlines).

1 00 **PEBBLE MILL AT ONE.** Englebert Humperdinck is among today's guests, and actor-turned-chef John Toves joins Michael Smith to offer some useful tips on cordon bleu soups. 1.45-2 Mr. Benn, rpt. 3.53 (not London) Regional News.

3 55 **LAY ON FIVE.** 4.10 The Wombles, rpt. 4.15 The Biskitts. 4.35 Take Two.

5 00 **NEWSROUND,** with John Craven. 5.10 Duncan Dares—Stunt Man: new six-part series, with Peter Duncan risking life and limb in daredevil exploits. This evening he jumps 40 feet from a roof and crashes a car at high speed. 5.35 Gloria—The Taxman Cometh. New series. (Wales: Wales Today.)

6 00 **NEWS. WEATHER.**

6 35 **REGIONAL MAGAZINES.** (Wales: Sportfolio.)

7 00 **WOGAN**—guests include Gerry Cottle and Ted Edwards.

7 40 **MONKEY BUSINESS**—Henry Kelly introduces another edition of the nature quiz with Floella Benjamin and Jeremy Cherfas leading the two teams.

8 10 **DALLAS**—Sins of the Fathers. Pam receives an unexpected offer of help while J.R. continues to plot the downfall of Cliff Barnes. (Ceefax.)

9 00 **NEWS, WEATHER.**

9 25 **O.E.I.**—Operation Otter. A nicely filmed, homespun little homily on behalf of the beleaguered otter, now apparently facing extinction in many parts of the country. It concentrates on an experiment begun in 1982 to repopulate the English countryside with otters bred and reared in captivity and follows the release of the first three otters and the efforts made to keep track of them. Nerys Hughes provides a slightly twee commentary to a programme which could have benefited from a little more film footage of the otters themselves.

9 55 **SPORTSNIGHT**—Including Snooker, the World Professional Championship, start of the semi-finals; Football, John Motson assesses England's chances of reaching the World Cup finals just a week before they play their crucial qualifying match in Romania; Cricket, Pat Murphy examines Graham Gooch's Test match future after three years' banishment from the England team. 12.10 Weather.

BBC-2

6 30 a.m.-7.20 **OPEN UNIVERSITY.** 2.15 World Snooker—Professional Championship, a look back and semi-finals at 3.00.

5 25 **NEWS, WEATHER.**

5 30 **"CARSON CITY"** (1952). Competent, all-square Western *set in the 1870s with lantern-jawed, and sometimes fairly* leaden, Randolph Scott as an *engineer laying a railroad* in the face of opposition. With Raymond Massey.

6 55 **WORLD SNOOKER**—Further coverage of the semi-finals of the World Professional Championship.

7 40 **EBONY**—Including a Liverpool schoolteacher's search for his English and Bermudan "roots"; a report on the official inquiry in to the death of a Broadmoor internee; and jazz.

8 10 **WORLD SNOOKER**—further coverage of the semi-finals.

9 00 ★★**BLEAK HOUSE**—After last week's rather diffused and lethargic episode this finely detailed production based on a quite excellent Arthur Hopcraft adaptation finds more of a sense of direction and some much needed dramatic impetus this week. The emphasis is still very much on characterisation and period atmosphere, with several of the scenes only on the fringe of the narrative, but the threads of the main story lines are now beginning to emerge in firm outline. Tonight, Esther has her first encounter with Dr. Woodcourt and Lady Dedlock ventures out into the filth and fog of the London streets. (*Ceefax.*)

9 55 **OPEN SPACE**—Ungentlemanly Conduct? Six years after *forming their own rugby team,* the women in the small village of Magor, near Newport, are still no nearer receiving recognition from the men in an area where the game is akin to a religion. The men reckon they only want to play the game "to appear different to the normal woman"; the women reckon it's because the men are "too frightened of losing a girl that's going to sit at home and have their dinner ready.

10 25 **NEWSNIGHT.** 11.20-11.25 Weather. 11.30-12.25 a.m. Open University.

ITV Thames

6 15 a.m. **GOOD MORNING BRITAIN.** 9.25 Thames News Headlines.

9 30 **FOR SCHOOLS.** 11.55 Rub a Dub Dub. 12 Button Moon. 12.10 Our Backyard. 12.30 Raw Energy.

1 00 **NEWS.** 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 A Country Practice. 2.30 On the Market.

3 00 **GEMS.** 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters.

4 00 **BUTTON MOON,** rpt. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Fraggle Rock. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Blockbusters.

5 45 **NEWS.**

6 00 **THAMES NEWS.**

6 25 **HELP!**—Benefit of the Month: Single payments.

6 35 **CROSSROADS.**

7 00 **ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S WORLD OF STRANGE POWERS:** Stigmata—The Wounds of Christ? Clarke investigates the cases of people who appear to bleed with the wounds Christ suffered on the Cross. Are they miraculous signs from Heaven or simply curiosities of medicine? (Oracle.)

7 30 **CORONATION STREET.** (Oracle.)

8 00 **THIS IS YOUR LIFE**—Eamonn Andrews hunts down another willing victim.

8 30 **THE MORECAMBE & WISE SHOW**—Repeat. (Oracle.)

9 00 ★ **WIDOWS**—Private detective Vic Morgan begins to take more than a professional interest in Dolly, while Harry starts to plan another raid. Despite its general air of underlying tension and the feel of brooding menace whenever villain Harry Rawlins happens to be around, this series never really took off until the second half of last week's episode which provided a real edge-of-seat nail-biting climax with poor little Linda finally getting her most unjust rewards. (Oracle.)

10 00 **NEWS AT TEN,** followed by **Thames News Headlines.**

10 30 **MIDWEEK SPORT SPECIAL**—Including Football, highlights from the matches involving Liverpool, who are away to Panathinaikos in the European Cup, and Everton, who are at home to Bayern Munich in the European Cup Winners Cup; Boxing, highlights from the bill at the Leisure Centre, Shoreditch, where Jimmy Price fights Herol Graham for the British Middleweight title.

12 00 **SUPERSTAR PROFILE** — John Houston. Repeat. 12.25 Night Thoughts, with Jan Simmonds.

Channel 4

2 30 p.m. **CHANNEL FOUR RACING**—From Epsom for the 2.35, 3.5, 3.35 and 4.10 races.

4 30 **ISAURA THE SLAVE GIRL,** followed by Fantastico: music and dance from Brazil. 5.30 Farming on 4.

6 00 **EVER THOUGHT OF SPORT?**—Diving. Four young people talk about their passion for diving and show how others of their age can take it up.

6 30 **THE MAKING OF A CLIMBING SERIES**—The dangers and difficulties of filming rock-climbing, shown as a curtain-raiser to the new series "Lakeland Rock", which starts on Saturday week.

7 00 **CHANNEL FOUR NEWS:** at 7.50 Comment by Liberal M.P. Simon Hughes, and Weather.

8 00 **HOW WARS END**—The First World War: Armistice, dissected by historian A. J. P. Taylor.

8 30 **DIVERSE REPORTS**—on planned changes in the way the City of London operates.

9 00 **NATALIA MAKAROVA: IN A CLASS OF HER OWN.** The ballerina, who defected from the Kirov Ballet, talks about her work, and dances with Irina Yacobsen of the Kirov in classical style, and with French dancer Roland Petit in an informal jazz dance session.

10 00 **LOU GRANT**—Cophouse. Repeat.

11 00 **VISIONS**—British Film's Last Year? Featuring two films, a drama and a documentary, examining the plight of the British cinema.

11 55-12.25 **BOOK FOUR**—Hermione Lee and guests look at some recent hardback and paperback publications.

★★ Outstanding. ★ Recommended.

ITV REGIONS

TVS

6 15 Good Morning.
9 25 TVS Outlook.
9 30 For Schools.
11 55 Cartoon.
12 00 Button Moon.
12 10 Our Backyard.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News: TVS News.
1 30 Whose Baby?
2 00 Look Who's Talking.
2 30 On the Market.
3 00 Gems; TVS News.
3 30 The Young Doctors.
4 00 Button Moon.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Fraggle Rock.
4 50 Razzmatazz.
5 15 Starkids.
5 45 News.
6 00 Coast to Coast.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Arthur C. Clarke: Stigmata—The Wounds of Christ?
7 30 Coronation Street.
8 00 This Is Your Life.
8 30 Morecambe & Wise.
9 00 Widows—crime drama.
10 00 News: TVS News.
10 30 Midweek Sports Special, including European football and championship boxing.
12 00 Jazz Special: Koinonia—part 2.
12 30 Company.

Anglia

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Button Moon.
12 10 Our Backyard, rpt.
12 30 Vintage Quiz.
1 00 News: Anglia News.
1 30 A Country Practice.
2 30 On the Market.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 Anglia News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 Button Moon.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Fraggle Rock.
4 50 Razzmatazz.
5 15 Ace Crawford.
5 45 News.
6 00 About Anglia.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Arthur C. Clarke: Stigmata.
7 30 Coronation Street.
8 00 This Is Your Life.
8 30 Morecambe & Wise.
9 00 Widows—crime drama.
10 00 News; Anglia News.
10 30 Midweek Sports Special, including European football and championship boxing.

12 00 That's Hollywood, rpt.: The Swashbucklers.
12 30 Seeing and Believing.

Central

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Button Moon.
12 10 Our Backyard.
12 30 Something to Treasure.
1 00 News: Central News.
1 30 Simon & Simon.
2 30 On the Market.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 News.
3 30 *Sons and Daughters.*
4 00 Button Moon.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Fraggle Rock.
4 50 Razzmatazz.
5 15 Newshound.
5 45 News.
6 00 Crossroads.
6 25 Central News.
7 00 Arthur C. Clarke: Stigmata — The Wounds of Christ?
7 30 Coronation Street.
8 00 This Is Your Life.
8 30 Morecambe & Wise.
9 00 Widows—crime drama.
10 00 News: Central News.
10 30-12 Midweek Sports Special, including European football and championship boxing.

Yorkshire

6 15 Good Morning.
9 25 Weather.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Button Moon.
12 10 Our Backyard.
12 30 Calendar Lunchtime Live.
1 00 News: Calendar News.
1 30 Falcon Crest.
2 30 On the Market.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 Button Moon.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Fraggle Rock.
4 50 Razzmatazz.
5 15 The (computer) Game.
5 45 News.
6 00 Calendar.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Arthur C. Clarke: Stigmata — The Wounds of Christ?
7 30 Coronation Street.
8 00 This Is Your Life.
8 30 Morecambe & Wise.
9 00 Widows—crime drama.
10 00 News; Calendar News.

10 30 Midweek Sports Special, including European football and championship boxing.
12 00-12.30 Portrait of a Legend: Roy Orbison.

HTV

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Button Moon.
12 10 Our Backyard.
12 30 It's a Vet's Life.
1 00 News: HTV News.
1 30 Hart to Hart.
2 30 On the Market.
3 00 Gems; HTV News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 Button Moon.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Fraggle Rock.
4 50 Razzmatazz.
5 15 Three Little Words.
5 45 News.
6 00 HTV News/Wales at Six.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Arthur C. Clarke: Stigmata — The Wounds of Christ?
7 30 Coronation Street.
8 00 This Is Your Life.
8 30 Morecambe & Wise.
9 00 Widows—crime drama.
10 00 News: HTV News.
10 30 Midweek Sports Special, including European football and British Middleweight boxing between Jimmy Price and Herol Graham.
12 00 Weather.

S4C

1 p.m. Isaura: Fantastico.
2 00-2.15 Ffalabalam.
2 30-4.30 Racing from Epsom, for the 2.35, 3.5, 3.35 & 4.10 races.
4 40 Ffalabalam.
4 55 Hanner Awr Fawr.
5 30 Danger Man.
6 00 Brookside.
6 30 Bwyta'n Dda.
6 50 Dafganfod y Byd.
7 00 Newyddion Saith.
7 30 Goreuon Hywel Gwynfryn.
8 00 Mentro! Mentro!
8 30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar; Penawdau Newyddion.
9 00 Sowcer.
9 45 "The Other Woman" (1983 TV movie drama), about a man who leaves his wife for an older woman. Anne Meara, Hal Linden, Madolyn Smith.

11 30 Diverse Reports.
12 00-1 Black on Black.

TSW

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
11 55 Ali Bongo.
12 00 Button Moon.
12 10 Our Backyard.
12 30 Keep It in the Family.
1 00 News; Local News.
1 30 A Country Practice.
2 25 Home Cookery Club.
2 30 On the Market.
3 00 Gems.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 Button Moon.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Fraggle Rock.
4 50 Razzmatazz.
5 15 Gus Honeybun.
5 20 Crossroads.
5 45 News.
6 00 Today South West.
6 30 Scene South West.
7 00 Arthur C. Clarke: Stigmata.
7 30 Coronation Street.
8 00 This Is Your Life.
8 30 Morecambe & Wise.
9 00 Widows—crime drama.
10 00 News; Local News.
10 34 Midweek Sports Special, including European football and British Middleweight boxing.
12 00 Postscript.
12 05 Weather; Shipping.

Channel

9 30 For Schools.
11 55 Ali Bongo.
12 00-5.15 As TSW.
5 15 Diff'rent Strokes.
5 45 News.
6 00 Channel Report.
6 30 Crossroads.
6 55 Bireli Lagrene.
7 00-12 As TSW.
12 00 Actualites et Previsions Meteorologiques; Weather.

Open University

BBC 2 TV: 6.30 a.m. T101. 6.55-7.20 A101. 11.30 p.m. U205. 11.55-12.25 S202.

Radio 4 VHF: 11.30 p.m. A315. 11.50-12.10 E323.

Radio 3 VHF: 6.35 a.m.-6.55 P252.

WORLD SERVICE RADIO

6 a.m. Newsdesk. 7 World News. 7.9 24 Hours. 7.30 Report on Religion. 7.45 That's Trad. 8 World News. 8.9 Reflections. 8.15 Classical Record Review. 8.30 Ralph McTell. 9 World News. 9.9 British Press Review. 9.15 World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Kicking Up the Sawdust. 10 News. 10.1 Cathedral Heritage. 10.30 My Word! 11 World News. 11.9 News about Britain. 11.15 Hunger.

12 noon Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Nature Notebook. 12.25 Farming World. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1 World News. 1.9 24 Hours. 1.30 British String Quartets. 2 Outlook. 2.45 Report on Religion. 3 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Pleasures of Seeking. 3.30 Yes Minister. 4 World News. 4.9 Commentary. 4.15 Counterpoint. 4.45 World Today. 5 World News. 5.9 Letter from Wales. 5.15 Monitor. 5.30 New Ideas. 5.40 Book Choice.

8 p.m. World News. 9.15 International Soccer Special. 10 World News. 10.9 World Today. 10.25 Letter from Wales. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11 World News. 11.9 Commentary. 11.15 Good Books. 11.30 Top Twenty.

12 midnight World News. 12.9 News about Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Yes Minister. 1 News. 1.1 Outlook. 1.30 Waveguide. 1.40 Book Choice. 1.45 Monitor. 2 World News. 2.9 British Press Review. 2.15 Network U.K. 2.30 Assignment. 3 World News. 3.9 News about Britain. 3.15 World Today. 3.30 Word in Edgeways. 4 Newsdesk. 4.30 International Soccer Special. 5.45 World Today.

RADIO

FOUR

5 55 on l/w Shipping.
6 00 News Briefing.
6 10 Farming Today.
6 25 Prayer for the Day.
6 30 Today.
9 00 News.
9 05 Midweek: Libby Purves.
10 00 Gardeners' Question Time in Staffordshire, rpt.
10 30 Morning Story.
10 45 Service.
11 00 Three Hundred Years a Soldier, rpt.
11.48 English Now.
12 00 You and Yours.
12 27 "The Meistersinger" (1), rpt.: A thriller in six parts by Berkely Mather.
12 55 Weather.
1 00 The World at One.
1 40 The Archers.
1 55 on l.w Shipping.
2 00 Woman's Hour.
3 00 "Relics": a dialogue by Anna Fox, set in a waiting room where George (Harry Andrews) and Pam (Elizabeth Sellars), have been called for an interview for a job about which they now nothing.
3 47 Time for Verse, rpt.
4 00 File on 4, rpt.
4 40 Story Time: "A Night to Remember" (8).
5 00 PM (5.50 on l.w Shipping).
5 55 Weather.
6 00 News; Financial News.
6 30 After Henry (2): comedy series.
7 00 News.
7 05 The Archers.
7 20 Checkpoint: new series, presented by Roger Cook.
7 45 Groundswell—the environment programme (new series), presented by Hugh Sykes.
8 15 In Business.
8 45 Between Earth and Sky—last of three reflections of rural life in Victorian England by Neil Philip.
9 30 Where Death Delights — final part.
9 45 Kaleidoscope.
10 15 Book at Bedtime: "A Moveable Feast" (6).
10 30 The World Tonight.
11 15 Financial World.
11 30 Today in Parliament.
12 00-12.15 News, Weather.
12 33 Shipping forecast.

VHF: 11 a.m.-12 For Schools. 1.55 p.m. Listening Corner. 2-3 For Schools. 11 p.m. Study on 4: Get By in Portuguese. 11.30-12.10 Open University.

THREE

6 55 Weather.
7 00 News.
7 05 Your Midweek Choice (8-8.5 News).
9 00 News.
9 05 This Week's Composer: English Madrigalists.
9 45 Medea: music by Simon Mayr and Barber.
10 20 Clarinet and Piano music by Felix Draeseke and Loewe, played by Colin Bradbury (clarinet) and Oliver Davies (piano).
11 00 BBC Welsh SO, Maidie Gough (soprano), Peter Hall (tenor), conducted by Gaetano Delogu: Haydn, John Tavener & Schumann.
12 15 Concert Hall, from Broadcasting House: Brodsky Quartet plays Mendelssohn's Fugue (Four pieces, Op 81) & Quartet in E minor, Op 44.
1 00 News.
1 05 Bill Evans.
1 30 Matinée Musicale.
2 25 Bax Violin Sonatas, rpt.
2 50 Pizzetti and Respighi.
4 00 Choral Evensong from the Chapel of King's College, Cambridge.
4 55 News.
5 00 Mainly for Pleasure, presented by Michael Berkeley.
6 30 Choral Voices (3), with Alexandra Melrose (piano), Morley Whitehead (organ), SNO Junior Chorus & The Waverley Singers: Lutoslawski, Fauré, arr. Paavo Kiiski-Erkki, Pohjola, Stravinsky.
7 00 International Young Artists: violin, clarinet and piano music.
7 30 "Opium Eater" — rpt. of Andrew Dallmeyer's play with Neil Cunningham as Thomas De Quincey.
8 30 Northern Sinfonia, David Haslam (flute), Colin Kellett (cor anglais), conducted by Steuart Bedford: Mozart's Symphony No. 17, Mendelssohn's Scherzo, Capriccio & Fugue, Honegger's Concerto da Camera; and Haydn's Symphony No. 76.
9 40 Six Continents, with Ian McDougall.
10 00 "Mona Lisa"—first U.K. broadcast of Max von Schillings' opera, sung in German and conducted by Christoph Perick.
11 57-12 News.

TWO

4 00 Howard Pearce.
6 00 Bill Rennells.
8 05 Ken Bruce.
10 30 Jimmy Young.
1 05 David Jacobs.
2 00 Gloria Hunniford.
3 30 Music All the Way.
4 00 David Hamilton.
6 00 John Dunn.
8 00 European Soccer Special, including Panathinaikos v Liverpool, and Everton v Bayern Munich.
9 30 Listen to the Band.
9 55 Sports Desk.
10 00 The Cambridge Buskers.
10 15 Tom Mennard tells Local Tales.
10 30 Hubert Gregg.
11 00 Brian Matthew.
1 00 Charles Nove.
3 00 Niall Murray Sings, rpt.
3 30-4 Non-stop Stutz, rpt.

VHF: 8 p.m. String Sound. 8.30 Syd Lawrence in Concert. 9.10 Listen to the Band. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10-12 As Radio 1.

ONE

6 00 Adrian John.
7 00 Mike Read.
9 00 Simon Bates.
12 00 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat).
2 30 Steve Wright.
5 00 Bruno Brookes (5.30 Newsbeat).
7 30 Janice Long.
10 00-12 John Peel.

WAVELENGTHS

Radio 1: 1089 kHz, 275 m. 1053, 285. **Radio 2:** 909, 330, 693, 433. (Radio 1/2 VHF: 88-90·2 MHz). **Radio 3:** 1215, 247. (90-3-92-5). **Radio 4:** 200, 1500. Greater London 720, 417. (92-94·5, 97·1). **World Service:** 648, 463. **Radio London:** 1458, 206. (94·9). **LBC:** 1152, 261. (97·3). **Capital:** 1548, 194. (95·8).

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Tue 7.30 The Sleeping Beauty (Gala Performance) Ballet Casting info 01-240 9815.

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CONCERTS

BARBICAN HALL. Barbican Centre, EC2. 01-628 8795/638 8891. Ton't 7.45 MENUHIN BACH. English Chamber Orchestra. Yehudi Menuhin (cond) Alison Hargan, Mira Zakai, Martyn Hill, John Shirley-Quirk. BACH: Mass in B minor.

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BIRTHS

BIRD.—On April 21, at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, to JAN (nee Amand) and JIM, a son (Thomas Grafton).

BLANCHARD.—On April 10, 1985, in PATRICIA (nee Newington) and TIMOTHY, a son (James Henry).

COWIE.—On April 22, at Cuckfield Hospital, Sussex, to SARAH (nee Hughesdon), and PETER, a son (Christopher James).

DUDGEON.—On April 13, in Doualas, I.O.M., to VALERIE (nee Cookman) and IAN, a daughter (Emma Louise), a sister for Margaret.

FARR.—On April 19, 1985, at R.H.H. Winchester, to SUE (nee Johnson) and CHARLES, a daughter (Rebecca Elizabeth), sister for Matthew and Jonathan. Now at 5, Torberry Drive, Petersfield, Hants. GU31 4HW.

FICK.—On April 25, 1985, at the Jane Crookall Maternity Home, to Lt Stan. to VIRGINIA (nee Dowty) and COLIN, a son (James Alexander Colin), a brother for Tarsia and Teddy-Joe.

FLEET.—On April 13, at the John Radcliffe, Oxford, to HELEN (nee Reed) and GEORGE, a daughter (Clare Louise), a sister for Alexander and Katie.

GOULTY.—On April 18, in Newcastle upon Tyne, to VERONICA and NEIL, a son (Charles William Steward), a brother for James, Duncan and Robert.

JACKSON.—On April 23, to CAROLINE (nee Peelet and ROBERT, a son (Matthew), a brother for Annabel.

JONES-FENLEIGH.—On Sunday, April 21, 1985, to ELAINE (nee Francis) and EDWARD, a daughter (Harinda Felicity Frances), a sister for Harriet.

KENDRICK.—On April 17, 1985, at Wexham Park Hospital, to JILL (nee Read) and ROGER, a son (Charles John William), a brother for Annabel.

KINGSTON.—On April 20, in California, to KRISTINE (nee Maillard) and PETER, a son (James Guam).

LAMAN.—On April 22, 1985, to HILARY, wife of Tim, another boy.

MEW.—On April 22, to GAIL (nee Bertoud) and ALAN, a daughter (Cassandra), a sister for Natasha.

MORRISH.—On April 19, at RRCH, Winchester, to ROSEMARY (nee Dixon) and ROBERT, a daughter (Laura), a sister for Nicholas and James.

OGDEN.—On April 16, at the London Hospital, to JANE (nee Chittenden) and LAURENCE, a son (Thomas William).

OLDROYD.—On April 8, at St Luke's Hospital, Guildford, to PAULINE (nee Newman) and PETER, a daughter (Olivia Kate), a sister for William and Thomas.

PARROTT.—On April 21, at St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey, to HILARY (nee Shaw) and Tru, a third son (Rupert Timothy), a brother for James and Richard.

PAYNE.—On April 22, to CLAIRE (nee Walls) and JONATHAN, a daughter (Nicola Sarah), a sister for Carly.

REES.—On April 20, at the John Radcliffe, Oxford, to DEBBIE and ALAN, a son (Paul Jonathan), a super little brother for Anna. Many thanks to all at the J. R.

ROGERSON.—On April 21, to MADELAINE and TOM (Wing Cdr. R.A.F.), eventually a son, Alex.

SEWELL.—On April 18, to MONA and DAVID, a daughter (Sarah Edith James), a sister for James.

STEVENSON.—On April 20, to ROSALIND (née Cooper) and ROGER, a daughter (Sarah), a sister for Elizabeth and Catherine.

TARPLEY.—On April 16, to Mrs A. P. and Lt TARPLEY, of 13, Campbell Road, Plymstock, a son (James Peter Thomas), a brother for Andrea.

WARD.—On April 21, at Norwich, to JOANNA (née Machin-Goodall) and SIMON, a son (Henry Charles Langford).

WEAVER.—On April 19, at Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton, to MICHELLE (née Perry), and MARTIN, a son (Christopher Martin).

YOUNG.—On April 22, to JENNIFER (née Sammut) and CHRISTOPHER, a son (Timothy Martin).

MARRIAGES

BROCKET — HAWKESWORTH. — On April 20, at Sherbrid, MARK, son of Mr. and Mrs I. BROCKET, to LINDA, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. HAWKESWORTH.

BURCH—ASHMAN.—On April 23, at Dover, Mr CHARLES BURCH to Mrs PATRICIA ASHMAN, of Sandwich, widow of Mr Jim Ashman.

HEINING—CARROLL. — On April 20, at the Church of St Swithun, Yateley, Doctor MARK PATRICK DAMIAN HEINING, younger son of Doctor and Mrs E. W. Heining, of Cambridge, to SARAH SIOBHAN, elder daughter of Mr J. CARROLL and the late Mrs K. A. Carroll of Yateley, Hants.

SIM—HUGHES. — On Saturday, April 20, at St Michael's Church, Aughton, Lancashire, Mr JOHN ANDREW SIM, second son of Mr and Mrs Raymond Sinclair Sim, to Miss SALLY ANNE HUGHES, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Bradshaw Hughes.

WHITE—WALKER.—On April 20, at Sandycombe Lodge, Surrey, IAN MURRAY WHITE to FELICIA JOY WALKER.

RUBY WEDDING

MUCKLE—BAKES.—On April 24, 1945, at Delhi Cathedral, JACK JEFFERIES to MARGARET EVE. Now at 1, Durand Gardens, London, S.W.9 and Folkestone.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

BROOK—WHEELER.—On April 24, 1935, in Croydon, TIMOTHY to ELIZABETH. Now in Sherborne, Dorset.

KIRKUP—FRENCH.—On April 24, 1935, at St Mary's Church, Elloughton, East Yorks, ROGER to DOROTHY. Present address: Field Head, Brough, Kirkby Stephen.

LEE-SMITH — DELAHAYE. — On April 24, 1935, at Faversham, Kent, WALTER to MURIEL. 3, River Mead, Horsham.

OLDHAM—WOOD.—On April 24, 1935, at Union Street Congregational Church, Hyde, JOHN LESLIE to ELSIE. Now at 2, Woodside Mews, Ladybrook Road, Bramhall.

DIAMOND WEDDING

WYLIE—LINDSAY. — On April 24, 1925, at Darnick, Melrose, Roxburghshire, ANDREW to MARGARET. Now at Carlton, Newmarket, Suffolk.

IN MEMORIAM

THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE

REEVES, TERENCE CLARMALIER, Lt., Grenadier Guards, aged 19, died of wounds near Zossen, Germany, 40 years ago today.—Fondly remembered by his sisters, Alice and Sheila.

DEATHS

ABLETT.—On April 17, 1985, suddenly at home, EDITH (nee Simonds), aged 78. Funeral service on Thursday, April 25, at Afordable Road Cemetery, Wandsworth, 1.30 p.m. Flowers to C. W. Taylor, 45, Balham High Road, S.W.12.

AGAR.—On April 21, 1985, suddenly at Pilham Hall Nursing Home, Gainsborough, JOHN HENRY, aged 72 years, late of Barnetby, a very dear uncle of Fane, David, Jill and Elizabeth. Funeral service takes place on Monday, April 29, at St Mary's Church, Wrawby, at 1.45 p.m., followed by committal at Woodlands Crematorium, Scunthorpe, at 2.30 p.m. Will friends kindly meet at the church. Family flowers only, please, but if desired donations for British Heart Foundation may be sent c/o the Midland Bank, Brigg, South Humberside.

ANDERSON.—On April 21, 1985, Lt Col JOHN D. CORTLAND, Gordon Highlander, Western Balmedery, aged 80 years, husband of Brenda and father of Michael and Bridget. Funeral private.

BALDING, ELLIE. (See DUNN).

BASSETT.—On Saturday, April 20, NORMAN W., in hospital at Brighton, son of the late William and Beatrice, of West Bromwich.

BEAZLEY.—On April 23, 1985, peacefully at her home, Veryan, Windle Hill, Neston, South Wirral, LILY MEDGAR, aged 97 years, wife of the late Col Sir GEOFFREY BEAZLEY. Funeral service at St John's Church, West Kirby, Wirral, on Monday, April 29, at 11.30 a.m., followed by interment in the churchyard. All inquiries please to F. A. Ball Funeral Service, Woodchurch Road, Birkenhead, tel. 051-652 4974.

BELCHER.—On April 19, 1985, MARK ANDREW BELCHER, aged 26 years, much loved husband of Caroline Anne, dearly loved son of Mr and Mrs Roy and Betty Belcher, loving brother of Michelle, Simon and Jane. Funeral Friday, April 26. Service at St James's Church, Christleton, Chester, at 1.45 p.m., prior to cremation at Blacon Crematorium, Chester. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, for Cancer Research at Clatterbridge Hospital, gratefully received by G. Ellis, funeral director, Stevenage, 172, Wood Lane, Hawarden, Deeside, Clwyd. tel. Deeside 814817 day and Hawarden 532218 night.

BELLINGHAM. — On April 20, 1985, peacefully in hospital, after a long illness courageously borne, WILLIAM PERCY BELLINGHAM, of Tilpham, formerly of Midland Bank, Walton-on-Thames, in his 82nd year, beloved husband of Dorothy (deceased), dear step-father of Joan Robson and Stuart Cranmore, who died on active service. He will be sadly missed by all his relations and friends. Funeral service at Chichester Crematorium on Monday, April 29, at 11.30 a.m. Family flowers only, but donations if wished to Friends of St Richard's Hospital, Chichester.

BESSEMER.—On April 21, at home after a short illness, ROSE ELLEN MARGARET (Madge), only daughter of the late HENRY WILLIAM and ROSA BESSEMER, in her 88th year.

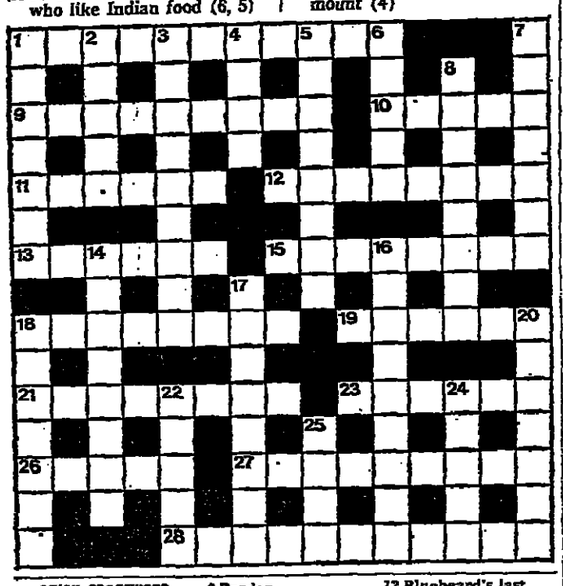
(Continued on Column Seven)

No. 18,433 ACROSS

1 All will be lost if one is robbed of them (4, 7)
9 A pony, perhaps, of no great significance (5, 4)
10 Not standing for mendacity? (5)
11 A youngster going into my complaint, possibly (6)
12 Huge monument to Rhodes (8)
13 It's currently on view at Heidelberg (6)
15 The footballer who couldn't eat his dinner? (4, 4)
18 Having a paid occupation? (8)
19 Jumbo-size pen of Indian design (6)
21 Trite air disposed to cause annoyance (8)
23 Fierce creature about to return for a wash (6)
26 A recession in the building trade? (5)
27 Dismayed Eric's host for whom flight is out of the question (9)
28 A hot favourite with those who like Indian food (6, 5)

DOWN

1 A cobbler who ultimately gets a chance to strike? (4, 3)
2 Father's ill and weak (5)
3 Clearly not an empty victory (5, 4)
4 We return after six to have a look at the situation (4)
5 Reduced in scope, it can give no reward (8)
6 Welcome reports from the Artillery (5)
7 & 16 Fortune-hunters look to them for heavenly guidance (5, 2, 3, 6)
8 Massive support for a double-century partnership, maybe (5, 5)
14 Get less agreement? (8)
16 See 7
17 Noted bow, possibly, or what it is made of? (8)
18 Dieting could make your paint go farther! (7)
20 Best policy for a flowering biennial (7)
22 Some heat from another medium (5)
24 Reputedly it ran in the Olympics (5)
25 Stake raised for a fiery mount (4)



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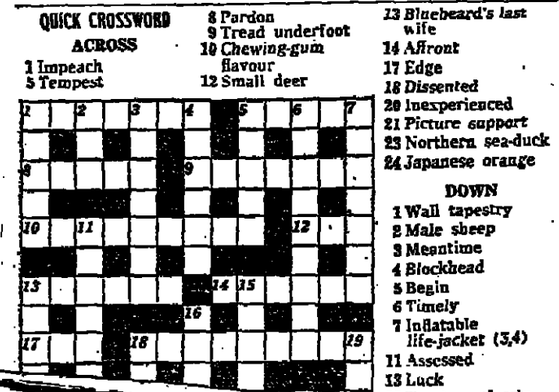
1 Impeach
5 Tempest
8 Pardon
9 Tread underfoot
10 Chewing-gum flavour
12 Small deer
13 Bluebeard's last wife
14 Affront
17 Edge
18 Dissented
20 Inexperienced
21 Picture support
23 Northern sea-duck
24 Japanese orange

DOWN
1 Wall tapestry
2 Male sheep
3 Meantime
4 Blockhead
5 Begin
6 Timely
7 Inflatable life-jacket (3,4)
11 Assessed
13 Luck
15 Treat carelessly
16 Stage-whispers
18 Not so wet
19 Greek letter
22 5-centime piece



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15 TOURIST OFFICES LOSE 'CD' STATUS

By JOHN BULLOCH Diplomatic Staff

FIFTEEN foreign tourist offices in London are to lose their diplomatic status as part of a Foreign Office drive against abuse of privilege by envoys stationed in Britain.

The removal of privilege will have no practical effect on the work of the tourist offices, and the Foreign Office refused to say which countries were affected. "We are not saying they have done anything wrong," a spokesman said. "This is just one of the ways we are tightening up."

The move is part of a package the Foreign Office has approved following widespread criticism after the Libyan Embassy siege and the attempted abduction of the Nigerian Umaru Dikko.

In general recommendations of the Commons Foreign Affairs Committee, which took detailed evidence on both incidents, have been accepted. But a major concern of the committee that diplomatic bags should be scanned to see if they contained forbidden items has been only reluctantly agreed.

The Foreign Office says it would be ready on specific occasions to scan any bag where grounds for suspicion were sufficiently strong.

But there would have to be individual authorisation, a representative of the sending State would be present, and in the event of refusal, the bag would be returned without being scanned.

This reluctance to scan bags stems from British fears of reprisals. In particular, Foreign Office men said foreign countries might use electronic means to work out details of cipher machines sent to British embassies.

Experts pointed out that some States already openly scan bags. And many others, they said, do so clandestinely.

The Foreign Office reply to the Commons criticisms promises that there will be tighter control in future over individuals posted to London, and that limitations on the size of missions will be applied.

With 5,000 diplomats in London entitled to immunity from prosecution, plus their families, it is accepted that some abuses will occur.

But the Foreign Office says it has found no support from other European countries for any tightening up of the Vienna Convention on diplomatic privilege, and so can only seek to apply the provisions of the convention more stringently.

On only one issue is the Foreign Office putting into effect a new policy. In future "persistent and deliberate" failure by individuals to respect parking regulations will jeopardise their positions as members of missions.

EEC farm price talks break down

By GODFREY BROWN Agriculture Correspondent in Brussels

NEGOTIATIONS to determine how big an increase, or how severe the cuts in guaranteed prices for the Common Market's eight million farmers, broke down in Brussels last night.

EEC HAGGLE OVER CUTS IN SPENDING

By ALAN OSBORN Common Market Correspondent

A LENGTHY round of haggling over the 1985 Common Market budget began in Luxembourg yesterday with Britain insisting on major cuts in spending proposals put forward by the E C Commission.

Budget ministers were expected to meet all night in an effort to agree figures for presentation to the European Parliament next month. The Parliament, which has powers over important areas of community spending, has already rejected as inadequate a budget of £16 billion agreed by Ministers last year.

The Commission has now presented revised spending plans calling for an extra £1·75 billion this year. Because this cannot be legally funded through the present financial system the money will have to come from a special whipround from member governments.

The budget plans also provide for a cut in Britain's budget contribution of £600 million in 1985.

£1·75bn 'too high'

The major dispute between the member governments is over the size of the over-run and thus the size of the whipround this year. Britain thinks the £1·75 billion, to which the United Kingdom would contribute some £300 million, sought by the Commission is too high.

More specifically the British argument, which will be put by Mr Ian Stewart, the Economic Secretary to the Treasury, is that the estimate does not take into account some £360 million of cuts in agricultural spending ordered by budget ministers last year.

Common Market farm ministers had to concede failure at their fourth meeting so far to try to agree this year's EEC farm price package.

They are to try again at an open-ended meeting beginning in Luxembourg on Thursday next week. There will be intense bilateral negotiations between now and next week's meeting.

A new compromise, specially formulated for this week's talks by the Italian Minister and chairman of the negotiations, Signor Filippo Pandolfi, in a bid to end the earlier stalemate, quickly foundered in the face of strong opposition from many of the Ministers, not least that of Britain's Mr Michael Jopling.

Asked whether Germany was still holding up the talks, Mr Jopling said he thought that was true.

"Mr Kiechle (the German Minister) said he could not contemplate a decision on cereals which involves a reduction in prices. This is still the biggest stumbling block to agreement," Mr Jopling said.

CHARGE DROPPED

A charge of riotous assembly against seven miners alleged to have been involved in taking over Newport Transport Bridge during the pit strike has been dropped by the prosecution at Newport Crown Court. The seven and one other still face a charge of unlawful assembly which they all deny. The hearing was adjourned until today.

30 HOMES BURNED

At least 30 homes were burned in fresh fighting between Moslems and Tamils in Sri Lanka's Eastern Province district of Batticola on Monday night, official sources in Colombo said yesterday.—Reuter.

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Yesterday's Quick Solution

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Owen row

By JAMES WIGHTMAN

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when left-wing MPs had taken all the places where the SDP MPs sit before Dr Owen and his colleagues could do so.

During a vote on a Ten-Minute Rule Bill the Labour MPs took turns to prevent Dr Owen and his colleagues taking their normal seats.

Dr Owen moved back a row to the bench occupied by his Liberal allies and crouched beside Mr Steel, Liberal Leader, for a while as the Deputy Speaker dealt with a series of points of order.

Involved were many of the left-wing MPs who had been prominent in previous trouble in the house—among them Mr Dennis Skinner, Bolsover, Mr Dennis Canavan, Falkirk West, Mr Brian Sedgemore, Hackney South and Shoreditch, Mr Kevin Barron, Rother Valley and Mr Dale Campbell Savours, Workington.

Mr Kinnock, Labour Leader, and his deputy, Mr Hattersley, were absent. Mr John Prescott, Shadow Employment Secretary, was among those who blocked Dr Owen as he tried to speak from the Opposition despatch box.

Dr Owen did manage to stand at the despatch box for a few seconds, after Miss Short finally moved her legs. But renewed uproar prevented him from starting his speech.

Mr Walker, deputising for the Speaker, Mr Weatherill, who has mumps, suspended the sitting temporarily to allow "the House to cool down."

'Yobbish tendency'

Mr Walker, in response to Labour complaints about Dr Owen's attempts to speak from the Opposition despatch box, indicated that he would prefer the SDP leader to speak from somewhere else.

He said: "Of course it is a universally recognised and observed convention that the despatch boxes are used by ministers to address the House and the leaders or these spokesmen for the official Opposition.

"I can only ask the House to observe and sustain the convention, but I have no authority to prevent any member who decides to breach that convention."

Mr Steel said of the Labour conduct: "What we are seeing is not the militant tendency but the yobbish tendency."

Mr Ian Wrigglesworth, SDP colleague, said that "the bully boys of the Labour party" were preventing free speech.

Mr King, Employment Secretary, said the scenes were "disgraceful and thoroughly unwelcome."

But Labour MPs accused Dr Owen of acting "like a big, spoiled baby" and said that he should have entered the chamber early enough to obtain his usual seat.

Taunts from Left

When MPs returned after the suspension yesterday, room had been made for Dr Owen and he was able to begin his speech.

But throughout he faced taunts from Labour MPs, especially Left-wingers sitting next to him, about his defection from the Labour Party to help found the SDP and about his previous views on unions.

Dr Owen put forward a motion calling on the Government to amend immediately the 1984 Trade Union Act.

His aim was to ensure that, unless it was absolutely impossible in a particular case, all strike ballots, political fund ballots and elections for trade union executive committees should be held on the basis of full secret postal voting, conducted by independent returning officers and scrutineers, so as to minimise the risk of abuse.

The motion was defeated by 374-25, a Government majority of 349. Labour voted with the Government.

The Government's amendment was carried by 224-167 a majority of 57. There were three Conservative rebels, Mr Reginald Prentice, Daventry, (like Dr Owen, a former Labour Cabinet Minister) Mr Edward Leigh, Gainsborough and Horncastle, and Mr Conal Gregory, York, voted with the SDP. Liberal on the Alliance motion and abstained on the Government's amendment.

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Commons Sketch

LABOUR WHEEZE BACKFIRES

By EDWARD PEARCE

AL CAPONE celebrated St Valentine's Day by massacring his opponents. With red roses sprouting from buttonholes, the Labour party set about massacring itself.

From 4.17 until 4.50 which is very much longer than it sounds if you have to listen to it, Labour used points of order to stop Dr Owen from making a speech.

Before that nine or 10 of the playground left and barricaded themselves onto the Front Bench below the gangway where he customarily sits.

This is what fictional public schoolboys like Harry Wharton of Greyfriars used to call a "wheeze" or a "jape." It is a very great strain.

The SDP had been allocated a day of opposition time which was affront enough and they proposed to move, with poor Moss Evans not yet retired, that postal ballots optional in Mr King's legislation should become very nigh compulsory.

Given the present problems of the TGWU over cardboard ballot boxes and votes taken in half-hour-long elections without benefit of members, this was all the provocation that activist flesh and militant blood could take.

Scurrying clones

The St George's Day massacre began with a swift seizure of the Front Bench below the gangway, a sort of Sudetenland always disputed by the SDP Czechs and the crack regiment of the master race.

Mr Skinner, Mr Canavan, Mr Sedgemore and their clones sat cackling on be captured bench like a convention of Hogarthian midwives. Dr Owen first stood and waited, later moving to sit in the aisle.

A vote was called on a Labour-approved 10 Minute Bill and the midwives first of all sat tight, then arranged for another relay of scurrying cronies to replace them as the Deputy Speaker remarked through clenched teeth: "This is doing the House no credit."

Clearly," said Mr David unnecesarily, "there is going to be troble." There has indeed been nothing like it since "Bugsy Malone," in which film children dressed as adults, shot each other with butter cream pistols.

One tries not to think too much about the points of order with which time was not ground under foot. Mr Roland Boyes proclaimed that he was being harassed by the SDP.

Mr Boyes is an asthmatic barrel of a man in as much risk of harassment as a lead-weighted toy policeman.

Mr Sedgemore demanded the services of a psychiatrist . . . for Dr Owen and (Oh dear) Mr Heffer was responsible.

Short of burning the place down (and one doesn't want to give them ideas) there was no way by which Labour could stop Dr Owen from making a speech stressing the nede for postal ballots for trade union elections and strike decisions.

Nor could they stop him from lingering pleasurably over the sea of adhesive marmalade in which the transport workers now uneasily tread water.

Touch of ginger

As it was, Dr Owen delivered his speech to the sort of attention and publicity from the Press, always looking for a touch of ginger, which a roll of tenners would never extract from us.

It was all, of course, made just a trifle worse by the doctor's own response of stepping masterfully from the aisle in which he had been crouching, to commandeer the Opposition Desnatch Box.

This provoked Mr Cohen, an affable ultra in a bomb throwing beard, into the only pertinent point of order of the afternoon: "Please can we use the Prime Minister's Despatch Box?

Front Bench legs, including those of Clare Short, were raised as a physical barrier. Dr Owen brushed past them and immediately some fool was on his feet alleging assault on a woman.

Now, technically at least, any Privy Councillor may speak at the Despatch Box and, the Deputy Speaker, Mr Harold Walker, was reduced to flap-handed acquiescence.

Dr Owen was called. Somebody got up on a point of order. Over and over again they went in and out like the figures of an Alpine barometer in a fit of manic meteorological self-doubt.

Eventually of course the Taft-Hartley element in Standing Orders was invoked by Mr Walker and, after a 10-minute recess, Dr Owen made a rather untidy speech. Mr Tom King a rather resentful one and Mr Prescott got his foot jammed on the forte pedal.

But those were just the speeches.

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POOLE BLOCKADE OVER DELAYS

Dozens of lorry drivers, mainly French, blockaded Poole docks yesterday in protest against Customs delays that had seen some of the men sleeping in their cabs for two night.

The blockade was lifted after the drivers were assured they would be cleared by midnight. An official blamed staff shortages for a build-up of paperwork that caused the delay.

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DEATHS (Continued)

BONSOR.—On April 15, in Alicante, Spain, following a motor accident, NORL REGINALD PELLEW of St Brelade, Jersey, C.I. Funeral took place on April 19 in Alicante.

BRAY.—On April 22, peacefully at Boarbank Nursing Home, after a long illness borne with dignity and humour, TERENCE LEWIS REGINALD (Terry), of Bracott Farm, Witherslack, Cumbria, aged 63 years, a loving brother, husband, father. Graduate of the Royal Agricultural College. Funeral private. Memorial service to be arranged later. No flowers by request, but donations in memory of Terry may be sent to Burneside Nursing Home, Allithwaite, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria.

BROADBENT.—On April 23, peacefully after a short illness in a Reading nursing home, ROBERT, aged 81, dearly loved husband of Marjory and father of loved daughter, Joanna. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Ipsden, Oxon, 11 a.m. on Monday, April 29, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, please.

BROOKS.—On April 22, 1985, peacefully at the Westminster Memorial Hospital, Shaftesbury, Capt. R. W. BROOKS (Reid). Cremation at Salisbury R.N.L.I., c/o Slater Bros., 35, Bell Street, Shaftesbury. Tel 2476.

BROOME.—On April 20, 1985, peacefully at home in Nettlebed, CAPT'S JOHN EGERTON (Jack) BROOME, D.S.C., aged 84, beloved husband of Joan and dear father and grandfather of Joan and Peter Bromme. No flowers or letters. Cremation private. No flowers or letters, please. Donations if desired to Sue Ryder Home, Nettlebed, Oxon.

BUCKLEY.—On April 20, 1985, suddenly, aged 83 years, of 18, Acacia Road, Devonshire Park, Chalworth Court, Cheshire. Service at Road, Stockport, Cheshire. Service at Stockport Crematorium on the 25th, April 25, at 9.30 a.m. Donations to your favourite charity, or flowers and inquiries to Messrs George Meredith, Ltd. 061-480 2065.

CARRTHERS.—On April 18, suddenly, MARGARET SCOTT CARRTHERS, aged 75 years, of Hazel Bank, Allithwaite Road, Grange-over-Sands, loved daughter of the late Mr and Mrs W. F. Carrthers. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Allithwaite, on Thursday, April 25, at 1.30 p.m., followed by interment in Allithwaite Cemetery. Flowers if desired or donations to the Heart and Chest Foundation may be left on the plate in the church.

CHAMBERLIN.—On April 21, at his Oxford home, JOHN FRANCIS, aged 76. Cremation private.

CHATFIELD-ROBERTS. — On April 23, 1985, CHARLES CHATFIELD-ROBERTS, T.D., loved and loving husband of Mary and father of John and Ewen, peacefully after a long illness. Funeral 3.30 p.m., Friday, April 26, at St Mary's, Bures, Suffolk. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu of flowers to the Veterans' Benevolent Fund. Memorial service in London later.

CHURCH.—On Monday, April 22, at Langdon House, Cambridge, CONSTANCE MARY, aged 95, widow of FRANK T. CHURCH, late of Lindeverde Road, Cambridge, loved aunt, great-aunt and great-great-aunt. Funeral at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, April 29, at St Andrew's Church, Chesterton, followed by cremation.

COPLAND.—On April 23, 1985, ALEXANDER ANDERSON (Sandy), at 150, Lake Road, Nether Cricket, Devon, late of Terrace, Timaru, New Zealand, darling husband of Doris and most beloved father of Nicola, Deander, Julie and Martin, dear father-in-law of Jean, Michael and Nicholas, and a much loved grandfather to all his grandchildren. All inquiries to Nether Cricket.

CULLIS. — In April, suddenly, RICHARD JONES, most loved and loving son of Gillian and brother of Jane. Rest in Peace, darling. Cremation Friday, April 26, 2 p.m. Flowers only.

CUMMINS. — On April 20, 1985, KATHLEEN NANCY, at St Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth, formerly of Sarum, Pine Road, Fareham, daughter of the late Lt Cdr and Mrs W. G. Cummins and formerly Headmistress of St John's School, Locks Heath. Funeral Service Friday, April 26, at Holy Trinity Church, Fareham, at 12 noon, followed by cremation at Portsmouth. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Cancer Research Campaign.

DICKE.—On April 20, in hospital, aged 84, Gail Links Crescent, Tadworth, aged 76 years, GLADYS (BAB), dearly loved wife of the late John Herbert (Bert) Dicke and a much loved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Service at St Mary's Church, Tadworth, Friday, April 26, at 1.15 p.m., followed by cremation at York Crematorium, Middlethorpe. Family flowers only, please. Donations in lieu to the Administrator, St Leonard's Hospice, York.

DUNKERLEY.—On April 21, 1985, Dr James Thompson, of Holcombe House, Lympstone, Devon, formerly of Hatfield and Exeter, aged 86, remained at Exeter on Friday, April 26, at 4 p.m. Donations if wish c/o R.N.L.I. in lieu of flowers.

DYER.—On April 20, 1985, at home, 3, The Grove, Edgworth, ROBERT BERTRAM DYER, F.Mus., after a long illness, beloved husband of Olive. Funeral on Monday, April 29. Thanksgiving service at St Matthew Church, Richmond Hill, at 12 noon, cremation at Mortlake Crematorium at 2 p.m. By request, no flowers, but donations to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for the Aged, 20, Great Queen Street, London, or any charity of the donor's choice.

ELLIOT.—On Friday, April 19, in Dawlish Hospital, CLAY LUCY, loving aunt of Drusilla Fairclough and Ann Davis, funeral service Exeter & Devon Crematorium 3.30 p.m., April 25. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Friends of Dawlish Hospital, c/o Mrs Green, 6, Smithstone Road, Dawlish.

ELSAM.—On April 21, at St Luke's Hospital, Thurcroft, CHARLES PHILIP, funeral Thursday and Mass at St Roger Fink Church, Wilpole Road, Wombwell, N.17, Friday, April 26, 1.45 p.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please, to St Roger Fink Church.

FOSTER.—On April 19, very suddenly at home in Leeden, Gordon Jones, dearly loved husband of Doris and father of Jean and Nigel. Sadly missed by all his family. Funeral at St Leonard's Church, Leyland, on April 30 at 1.45 p.m. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired to the Church of Fighting Children's Society, c/o R. Leyland, 5, Richardson Walk, Leyden, Colchester.

FLOYD.—On April 20, 1985, suddenly in London, JEREMY MICHAEL, aged 32 years, a much loved elder son of WALTER and FRANCES FLOYD, cremation at Hertford Crematorium on Friday, April 26, at 11.30 a.m. Flowers and inquiries to K. B. Gilby, funeral directors, Cranbrook, Kent (13242).

GAPROD.—On April 22, in hospital after a very brave short illness, JOHN ANTHONY, of Rugby, beloved husband of Muriel. Funeral arrangements Walton & Taylor Ltd. tel. Rugby 3008.

GOLD.—On April 21, peacefully, at Hammersmith Hospital, JESSIE NORMAN, aged 88, much loved husband of Theresa and beloved father of Vivien and James. Funeral on Apr 26 at St Francis de Sales Church, Hampton Hill. No flowers, please. Donations, if desired, to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, c/o Mrs Beckett, G. S. Kenton, 49, High Street, Hampton Hill, Middlesex. 01-977 5727.

GRIFFITHS.—On April 18, peacefully at Ross-on-Wye, JENNIE (Jane), aged 91 years, of 10, Fisherman's Reach, Wilton, Ross-on-Wye, late of Kenilworth and Padstow. Much missed by family and friends. Funeral service at Bridstow Parish Church on Thursday, April 25, at 2.30 p.m., followed by cremation at Hereford. Family flowers only, please. Donations in lieu of gulls, please. Donations to Cancer Research flowers may be sent for Cancer Research to William Bevan, funeral directors, Old Gloucester Road, Ross-on-Wye, Hereford HR9 5JG.

HALL.—On April 21, peacefully, TERENCE JOHN HALL, M.D., F.R.C.S., of High Mead, Spring Gardens Lane, Keighley, West Yorkshire, dearly loved husband of Margaret and father of Christopher (CS) and James. Funeral private memorial service to be held at Kildwick Church tomorrow (Thursday), April 25) at 3 p.m. Flowers to Maurice Leach & Son, Oaklands, Skipton Road, Keighley, before 10.30 a.m., please.

HAMMOND.—On April 21, 1985, at his home, ERIC HERBERT, aged 77 years, of High Salvington, Worthing, beloved husband of Muriel and much loved father of John. Service on Tuesday, April 30, at St Paul's Church, Worthing, 2 p.m., followed by interment at Durrington Cemetery.

HAZELL.—On April 2, in St Wooloos Hospital, Newport, Gwent, WILLIAM SAMUEL (Bill), aged 93 years, beloved father of Marian, Mary and Ruth. Inquiries Tel. 0633 297176.

HEDKAMP.—On April 20, 1985, at his home in Hove, W. R. (Helmut) HEDKAMP. Family burial will take place in Germany. Inquiries to Hamilton's funeral directors, tel. Brighton 728735.

HENDRY.—On April 22, after a short illness, ANN WESTLAND, aged 81 years, of Northfield Grange, near Troon, Ayrshire. Funeral service Tuesday, April 30, at 3.30 p.m. at the Amersham Crematorium.

HENZELL.—On April 20, peacefully, in hospital, Rugby, dear LILIT of Violet. Cremation at Putney Vale, April 29, 3.45 p.m. No flowers, please.

HODGSON.—On Sunday, April 21, 1985, suddenly at his home, 78, Arrol Drive, Ayr, Scotland, ALEXANDER D. HODGSON, in the 86th year, formerly of British Petroleum and Lloyds. A beloved uncle.

JACKSON.—On April 22, peacefully at the Bowles Clinic, Nora Jackson, late of Holland Park, widow of the late PETER JACKSON. Cremation private. No flowers or letters, please.

JOHNSON.—On April